Kingston Jamaica
Dec. 14. 1870
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4187
FISK UNIV.

Mr L. Whiting Esq

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of McCartney and Ward for the sum of fifty dollars Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the drafts with your accustomed favour and oblige

Yours truly

S. B. Wilson

Brandon Hill
Dec. 4th 1820

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4188
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whiting

I have received no accts. from you since March and consequently I have no acct. to make up this quarter except to add to the balance in my favor last quarter $2711.96 the same amount for salaries and rent of rooms in Kingston as for last quarter $960. making the balance now in my favor $3671.96.

But the dfts. you have paid since March that I have not yet heard from if entered to your credit would make the acct. about even

The box sent by Henry Walcott is received and the two copies of Gates Ajar were recd. by

Mr. McCartney and also a letter but no accounts.

I am afraid that Helmbold is Humbug but I thought when I ordered it it was a simple extract and not a compound patent medicine. The next time I will send to Dr. Ritter

Please send me all of the following of Dr. Lange's Commentaries that are published

x — 2 Copies on John
1. Copy on Genesis
1 " " " Galatians & Collosians
x — 1 " " " Revelations.
also 24 Fresh Laurels

Please order me the following newspapers for 1871. to be sent by great care McCartney & Wood Kingston

Post — Harper's Weekly
Dist. N. Y. Tribune
Tract Journal in English & German

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

Shipped Apr 15/71

[illegible] Jamaica

William E. Whiting, Esq.

My Dear Brother,

A letter just rece[illegible]
[illegible]m my sister brings the
[illegible]lligence of the lamented
[illegible]se of my mother. Will
[illegible] do good as to continue
[illegible]erly payments to Mr. [illegible]
[illegible]m I will instruct as
[illegible] use to be made of them
My mother has spoke[illegible]
[illegible]e or twice of your kind [illegible]
[illegible] to anticipate my wishes
[illegible] her behalf, for which I a[illegible]
[illegible]ntily grateful,

Thankfully Yours

ARCH[illegible] 4189 UNIV.

M. A. ARCHIVES
No. FI-4190
FISK UNIV.

	Whole No. of members Aug 1st 1868	Whole No. of members Aug 1st 1870	Admitted	Deceased	Excommunicated	No. in Congregation	No. in Sabbath School	No. in Day school	Contributions for Religious Purposes
Brandon. Hill	76	73		2	1	125	90		$ 65.00
Providence	43	47	7	2	1	75	50	48	33.15

We have three teachers in the mission whose names do not appear in the Annual Report that I think ought to be there Wm Davis at Providence Louis Kelly at Manning's Hill and John Phillips at Camberwell

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-4191
FISK UNIV.

Clut, Jamaica. Jan. 5. 1871

Rev. Geo. Whipple

My Dear Brother,

I wish, and so do we all, that instead of telling Henry Wolcott that if he had waited a little longer you would have come with him, you had told him that you were coming. We don't wish you had come with him, for such weather as we have been having these months back, transcends all my experience of Jamaica. But now we are getting bright skies once more, and if you start as soon as this comes to hand you will get here when the roads have been well dried and our upland climate is in its perfection. Spend three months here, and then we might go home together.

Your coming here would give us quite a new start, and I am sure we need one badly enough. And it would also give you quite a new start of interest in Jamaica, and we think we shouldn't be the worse off for that.

If you just make a push, and get started, you'll never be sorry for it. San Domingo, I see, is on the boards again, so you see the West Indian question is becoming practical.

The people of Eliot have decided to pull down their chapel (leaving the dwelling-part) and build a smaller one. It is too rotten to stand longer. The prospect of having this lumbering old thing off their minds, and of having things in a trimmer compass, seems to have raised their spirits. I have never seen them apparently so ready to welcome the acceptable year of the Lord. There is no telling what great things the impulse of a visit from home ~~might~~ develop in this receptive attitude of their souls.

For my part, I expect still to work for Eliot, under whatever formal relations to the Society. I hope you will be liberal to them in their attempts to put up their new erection, for they need it, and deserve it.

Truly Yours
C. C. Starbuck

C. C. Starbuck 1/5/71
Eliot, Pa.

Brainerd Richmond P.O.
Jamaica
Jany 25th 1871

Rev George Whipple Sec. A. M. A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4192
FISK UNIV.

My Dear Brother

Your ~~Note~~ of the 24th of Sep reached me in due time for which I thank you.

Herewith I send you a circular, by which you will see that our Government is anxious to promote education in this Island

I applied for, and obtained an opening grant for "Manning Hill" last year, where we opened school, and passed Government inspection at the end of seven months teaching, that school is now on the list of schools claiming annual Government Aid. A church has been formed

formed there and a new and substantial chapel built mainly by the people themselves. It is probable that this little church will join our association at our next meeting to be held at Brainerd in April next.

One of the best things we can wish for is your presence with us during that month. We really need it. The churches lack spiritual life, sad to say it, but it is so.

I believe Bro Wenning reported Manning's Hill school to you last year, at least I asked him to do so, as his teacher, Mr Kelley, had charge of it. Manning's Hill is a thickly populated district about twelve miles distant from Brainerd and ten miles from Kingston.

I am now about to apply for an opening grant for August

"August Town" another important district, distant from Brainerd about four miles, and where several families in connection with the church at Brainerd have bought lands and settled as small farmers, or planters, as they are called here.

The cause at Brainerd I think, is looking up, our schools are well attended, the congregations always good, and we are now about to receive several young persons into our communion of whom we hope well, some of them are really anxious to declare themselves on the Lords side. This is as it should be, I am sure the Lord will remember Zion when her people are faithful, and active, having a single eye to his glory.

I believe Br Starbuck is

1/25/71 John Thompson.
Brainard, Jamaica

Is about to leave the Islands, as he has doubtless told you, he has requested me, and I believe it is the wish of the people at Eliot, that I should take the oversight of the little church there. I am willing to do all I can in any part of the great harvest field, but my hands are full, and altho I am blessed with an unusual strong constitution well adapted to this climate, yet of course it must give way some day. But I have no choice at all in the matter, whatever the Lord wish I will do, and wherever he plans I will go.

If you conclude not to visit this mission, then I will submit to you some plans which I have thought out for the future working of our Jamaica mission.

I am my Dear Brother
Truly yours
Jno Thompson

P.S. I also send a map of Jamaica with extracts of reference

Jamaica.
School Circular

(CIRCULAR.)

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4193
FISK UNIV.

School Inspector's Office,

Kingston, Jan 7 1871

SIR,

I am directed to inform you that all applications to Government for the "ANNUAL GRANTS" in aid of Elementary Schools for 1871, must be sent in to my address, Kingston P.O., as soon as possible, and not later, if practicable, than the 15th of February. The necessary blank forms, to be filled up for this purpose are sent herewith.

Each Return is to be filled up with the required particulars for the twelve months, ending 31st December, 1870. The "Return" for any School that has not been in operation for the whole twelve months, should be filled up *for as many months* as the School shall have been in operation, up to the 31st December 1870.

As the work of Inspection is to be commenced earlier this year than heretofore, School Managers are respectfully reminded that it is of the utmost importance that the Returns should be sent in with as little delay as possible, and within the time above specified.

Extracts from the "Gazette by Authority," relative to the regulations on "Opening Grants," increase of Grants to "Industrial Schools," and the additional allowance for Needlework, are hereunto annexed for your information.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

JOHN SAVAGE,

Inspector of Schools.

To

Manager.

[Geo. Henderson & Co., Printers.—0438.]

Extracts from "The Jamaica Gazette."

January 12th, 1871.

"OPENING GRANTS FOR SCHOOLS."

"As there are many populous places in the Island where no Schools as yet exist; and where it is desirable that Elementary Schools should be established as soon as practicable, the Government is again prepared to advance, in the course of the current year, Grants of money, to a limited amount, to respectable and trustworthy Managers or Teachers, who will undertake to establish and maintain Elementary Schools in such places.

The general conditions upon which these Grants will be issued are as follows.—

I.—The Districts in which it may be proposed to establish these Elementary Schools must be populous centres, where there are now no Schools sufficiently near for the children of the neighborhood to attend conveniently.

II.—There must be a fair prospect of collecting a school of forty pupils, at least.

III.—The usual School Fees must be demanded; or some industrial pursuit must be connected with the usual School operations.

IV.—The Teachers employed to conduct these Schools must be qualified, at the least, to teach a "Third Class School," according to the Government Regulations.

V.—The Grantees must engage to furnish Statements, shewing the manner in which the opening Grants have been expended under the several items of Buildings, Appliances, and Teachers' Allowances; which Statements shall be submitted to the Government, through the Inspector of Schools; and they must engage that the Schools thus aided shall be subject to Government Inspection.

The Grants advanced will not exceed £40 to any one School, and will vary according to—

(*a*) The necessities of the District, where the new School is to be opened.
(*b*) The size of the School to be established.
(*c*) The Buildings and Appliances required.
(*d*) The length of time the School shall be in operation before it can come under inspection and obtain, if successful, its first Annual Grant in aid.

The Form of Application for Opening Grants, including the special points upon which information is required, may be obtained on application at the School Inspector's Office, Kingston.

These Forms are to be carefully filled up, and returned to the said Office, on or before the 28TH OF FEBRUARY.

Teachers applying on their own behalf, or independently of any Managers, are required to procure the Certificate and Recommendation of either the Custos of the Parish, or of a Member of the Municipal Board, or of a well-known Minister of Religion, as a guarantee of respectability and trustworthiness.

Schools receiving opening Grants shall be eligible to receive the usual Annual Grants, according to the Government Regulations of 1867, when they shall have been in operation *three* months, and shall, on examination by the Inspector of Schools, have given satisfactory evidence of a fair degree of progress and efficiency commensurate with the time they shall have been in operation, when examined."

February 5th, 1870.

INCREASE OF GRANTS TO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

The Government Regulations of 1867, with regard to Grants in aid of Elementary Schools, have been amended in Article Fourteen, relating to Industrial Schools.

The second Clause of Article Fourteen now stands as follows:—

"In the case of such Schools, the Allowances both of the First and of the Second sort, under Regulation Nine, may be respectively increased to half as much again as the Amounts therein specified, upon the special recommendation of the Inspector of Schools."

NOTE.—Article xiv. of the Government Regulations of 1867, defines Industrial Schools as follows:—"Schools in which the Pupils devote not less than *three hours* of every School Day to *manual labour*, upon a regular system, shall be considered Industrial Schools, under this Regulation."

In the above Rule, *manual labour* signifies any kind of Handicraft, Manufacturing process, or Agricultural labour.

The amended portion of the Rule, now provides that half, both of the Class and Capitation Grants, —*i.e.* half of all that is otherwise earned—may be added as an Industrial Grant.

January 12th, 1871.

NEEDLEWORK.

With the view of encouraging the teaching of Needlework to Girls in the Elementary Schools, the Government is prepared to allow an extra capitation Grant of *two shillings*, for each girl that may be regularly taught sewing for a portion of every school day, in addition to the other grants in aid that may be awarded according to the Regulations of 1867; provided, that specimens of the needlework so executed by the girls, be submitted to the Inspectors of Schools, during their annual visits, with such statements relating thereto as may be required by them.

But this Regulation only applies to Schools that are *not* termed Industrial, within the meaning of Article xiv. of the Government Regulations of 1867; as all such Industrial Schools will still continue to receive their extra or additional Grants for Manual labour including Needlework (in Schools composed entirely of Girls), in accordance with the amended article published in the *Gazette* of February 5th, 1870.

J. S.

Rev. C. C. Sturbuck
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Brandreth, Jamaica
Feb 16/71

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4194
FISK UNIV.

Rev Geo. Whipple

Dear Bro

I am instructed by the Mission to transmit the following request

Resolved "That we request of the Ex. Committee a grant of Fifty Dollars towards re-building the Mor Chapel, in consideration of the importance of the work, and the comparative smallness of the congregation."

Truly yours
C. C. Starkey

A. M. A. ... NO. FI-4195 ... UNIV.

S. B. Wilson
Kingston Jamaica
March 1st 1871

W. E. Whiting Esq.
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association for the amount of Six Hundred Dollars Gold to the order of Davidson Calthurst & Co. fifteen days after sight

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly

S. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson, 3/16/71.
Brandon Hill.

Brandon Hill
March 16th 1871

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FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo Whipple
57 Reade Street
New York

Dear Brother

Mr. John Savage the Inspector of Schools for this island expects his wife from Jamaica and his two children from England to meet in New York in April next and to go on to Washington. Which ever partly gets there first will have to wait a few days for the other. I have recommended him to send them to your care asking you to give them the

same attention you give to your missionaries when they arrive in New York. They will be strangers there and will be very much obliged for any assistance you may give them

Mr. Sawyer is an old friend of the American Missionary Association and in his capacity of Inspector of Schools has done more for the education of the common people of Jamaica than any other man, besides his family have been very kind to your missionaries here and any kindness shown to his family here we should regard as a kindness shown to us

Yours very faithfully
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-4197
FISK UNIV.

Brandon Hill
March 20th 1871
S B Wilson

Dear Bro. Whiting

I have received no accounts from you for several months now. Please let me know if you have received my letters containing accounts for the quarters ending Nov 30th 1870 and Feb. 28th 1871. I sent an order for books in March which I have not yet received. The steamers of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. call at Kingston and anything you have for us can be sent by them

Please send me by Return Steamer 2 Day. Fresh Laurels Mrs. Samuels
Published by Bigelow and Main

Steamer leaves 15th April. 1871

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

Please also send to
W. E. Lewett M.D. Constantine
Michigan, eighty five dollars
and oblige

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1498
FISK UNIV.

Brandon Hill Lamoine
March 20th 1871

Dear Bro. Chipple

Although we have sometimes to labor a great while before we see the fruits of our labor and although we sometimes feel that we have but very little to encourage us yet by laboring on and patiently waiting we are now and then rewarded and cheered by seeing that we have not trusted God in vain or labored in vain. It has sometimes seemed to me that in spite of all we were trying to do for them the people about us were growing worse and worse and that it was almost impossible to do them any good but after months of discouragement we have something to cheer us again. We have just received into the church eight new members and restored two. There are indications also

that the people both in the church and out of it are more than usually interested in religion. A young woman who has the name of being a very bad young woman and whom I have not seen to chapel for many years has been attending quite regularly lately and she told me the other day that now she had made up her mind to seek the Saviour. She said she now saw how vain her life had been and in what great dangers she was and that although all her friends would be against her yet she was quite determined to be a Christian

One young man we just received into the church who was more than usually intelligent having been sometime in the Sabbath School here went away and lived several years in a very wicked community which he seemed to like when he first went there and he lost a very

wicked life then himself, making us think that all his good instruction had been lost upon him. but he returned about a year ago and seemed thoroughly tired of the life he had been living and said he should never go back. He sent for the young woman he had been living with and married her and both of them commenced attending the singing meetings the Sabbath school and all the meetings of the church very regularly and have shown the greatest interest in them He told the people here that they did not know how to prize their Christian privileges as they ought They have both now joined the church and the church are quite well pleased with them

Another man who was the cause of our having to excommunicate one of our church members and who was quite a godless young man built a

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Brandon Hill

very decided [illegible] about a year ago and has been most faithful in attendance upon all the meetings of the church and ~~has~~ also given good evidence in other things that he intends to live a Christian life. He has not only been received into the church himself but has been instrumental in bringing the one he led astray.

We have on the whole been quite well pleased with all we have received. It is certainly very gratifying to us ~~[illegible]~~ to see even a few become Christians when there are so many around us who seem to have no interest in their souls at all. We think too those who become Christians now are better Christians and give us a great deal more confidence and satisfaction in their Christianity.

Believing we have your continued prayers

I remain Yours faithfully

S. B. Wilson

To the Secretaries of the A. M. A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO FI-4199
FISK UNIV.

Dear Brethren

We feel assured that we are still very dear to you. We can not think otherwise. We cherish towards you feelings of gratitude for all that you have done for the good of Eliot. Knowing as we do that your hands are fully occupied, that your fields of usefulness are ever widening, that your home operations are on a gigantic scale, still, nevertheless, we dare not for a moment entertain the thought that your love and sympathy and care are not as deep and heartfelt as ever towards the churches which have been planted and nurtured by your care, grown beneath the manifold favors of our heavenly Father, guided by the wisdom, the untiring zeal of those self-denying and faithful men, whom God in his gracious providence has raised up, and you have sent over to us from time to time to teach the way of salvation. We are struggling on. To live is indeed to

struggle every day the scene is renewed, but we mean to press on to the realization of those bright hopes which daily sustain us in our arduous conflict

We have nothing wonderful to tell you of, but we feel confident that at it will refresh your hearts to be acquainted with the fact that at this present moment our church begins to exhibit signs of encouragement to us and to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ Six of our young people are making public confession of their love to the Saviour and seeking for admission into the bosom of his household Our present pastor—who, we regret to say is soon to leave us—has been very kind to us. He knows how to help us in our trials You could not have sent us a man better qualified to explain to us the words of the New Testament Under his ministrations, there has been a decided advancement of the young people, both in the church and in the Sabbath school, in intelligence

and an knowledge of the Scriptures.

We have to lay before you, Brethren the fact, that we are in trying circumstances just now. Our Chapel is sadly in need of repairs. We have tried to patch here and there in the building, but the whole tenement is now very bad. The continuous heavy rains during the past year have weakened the building considerably. It is now hardly safe to conduct worship in it, and should another rainy season set in before it be effectually strengthened, we fear it would not be able to stand it. We are anxiously exerting ourselves in raising a special subscription to go on with the work, but we are obliged to say there is slow work.

Our Minister is small and our resources limited. We need some assistance for our responsibilities

are rapidly receding. In this emergency we turn our eyes imploringly to you, fully assured that our representations will not be in vain. We are still weak, and there is yet much to be done among us, and we must truly confess for it is no use suppressing the fact, that there is but little hope looking at things as they are, of our shortly becoming independent and self-sustaining.

But we really hope, Brethren you will not be discouraged in view of the facts we have placed before you. Our pastor who will shortly be among you will give a fuller detail of our state to you. The time will come, though, there must be much the exercise of faith, and patient waiting, when you shall have the joyful experience, that your labor of love has not been in vain

your prayer for us we know to have been and still to be that the Great Head of the Church will establish and perfect us in every good work. The Lord has not set bounds to his grace, nor have you limited his power. He will, in due time send an answer graciously to your prayerful anxieties in behalf of your struggling churches here.

There are many and great difficulties in the way which render our attaining to Christian strength and manhood no easy task. But difficulties are not impossibilities. One thing, however, we must not forget to mention. There is evidently among us a growing appreciation for the Congregational System of Church Government. Increased intelligence will but increase its value. We are a "little flock", but not without some

Deacons of Eliot Ch.

4/8/71 tokens of the shepherd's presence in our midst. We are praying laboring and looking for better days.

In conclusion we beg to be permitted to hope that our humble epistle will not be unwelcome and we anxiously wait to be apprised of the fact that the least and most unworthy of your Churches has not been overlooked

Deacons { L. J. Bishop
John R. Williams

By order of the Church at Eliot

April 8th 1871

A. M. H. ... NO. A-4200 ... UNIV.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4201
FISK UNIV.

Brunswick Hill
Apr. 15th 1871

Rev. George Whipple,

My dear brother

I forward to you the following resolutions passed at a mission meeting held here at Brunswick Apr. 11th and also a letter written by the church at Eliot to the Association

Resolved that we request the Association to give the churches at Eliot and Brunswick Hill one hundred and twenty five dollars each to assist in rebuilding the chapels in those places

Resolved that we request the Association to give one hundred

dollars a year for the support of a teacher at August Town provided the government here will give us an opening grant and yearly grants in aid of a school opened there,

S. B. Wilson. Sec.

The Chapels at Christ and Brandon Hill have been in bad condition for a long time, and all the money the churches could raise has been expended hitherto in repairing them. They are now in a really unsafe condition and nothing can be done for them except to rebuild them. The churches are not able to do this alone, but if they alone assistance could be

giving them the least with the willingness the people seem to manifest to help themselves they would get through it. Fifty dollars has been asked for Eliot already but as that is insufficient we ask for one hundred and twenty five instead of the fifty

The letter I sent you from the Church at Eliot will show you something of the feelings of the Church there towards the A. M. A. and I would say that at a meeting held with the Church here (Bunker Hill) on the matter the other day they said they felt reluctant to ask assistance of you as they were already so much indebted to you for planting them with

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Brandon Hill

same one to preach the gospel to them for so many years in the past and that if they were able to get through it alone they would not ask

August Dawn is a populous place without a school about four or five miles from Brainard and as the people there seem quite anxious to have one we feel that we must do our best to give them one, we have no doubt we shall get government aid on it if we apply but it will not be sufficient alone to support a teacher and hence our request for assistance from the Association

Yours in Xt.

S. B. Wilson

Rev. E. N. Kirk, D. D., *President.*
William E. Whiting, *Assistant Treasurer.*
Rev. E. M. Cravath, *Field Secretary.*

Secretaries:
Rev. George Whipple.
Rev. M. E. Strieby.

American Missionary Association,

No. 59 Reade Street,

New York, Apr 15 1871

2 bols Lange —	8.00
48 Fresh Laurels	12.96
1 Finney	1.00
Papers &c	3.
	24.96

1 Box

S R Wilson
Cong McCarthy & Moore
Kingston Jamaica Wb

Ocean Queen

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. H-4202
FISK UNIV.

Rev. C. C. Statbuck
5/15/71

Eliot - Jamaica May 15/71

June 16/71

Rev. Geo. Whipple

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4203
FISK UNIV.

Dear Brother

Yesterday being my last Sunday at Eliot, the chapel was crowded, nay, jammed, as I have never seen it before. Knowing its insecure condition, I was under some little apprehension but it happily held.

The day was a very profitable one to me, and I trust not unprofitable to my people.

At the Communion seven candidates were admitted on profession of faith.

The people here have a heavy burden upon them, now that their house of worship almost threatens to tumble down over their heads. I have promised to assist them to the ex-

tent of my utility, and I hope the Arse will do the same.

I have found this little church exceedingly receptive of good, especially in such forms as I was able to communicate it to them, and I do not demit my pastoral connection with them, even in absence. They are in that stage of advancement in which a strong personal attachment to particular men is an almost indispensable means of their best good, and I should sin if I were inconsiderately to break this bond.

There seems to be something like a new spring of prosperity in Jamaica. The misfortunes of our sister islands of Cuba and Hayti have at least done us some good, and if they must

M. A. ARCHIVES NO. 3203 FISK UNIV.

occur, it is well they should do good somewhere, as it seems they do very little good at home. Kingston is so full of Cubans and Haytians that it is almost impossible to get a house to rent, and the ship-keepers find their account in it.

While the rest of the planet has been undergoing convulsions by storm, earthquake, plague, famine and war, such as appear to be the ἀρχὴ ὠδίνων of a new era of the Kingdom of God, our little island, of old so much agitated, both physically and socially, has been held in perfect quiet and peace, held, as it were, in the very hollow of God's hand. I tell my people that this surely indicates some gracious purpose of the Redeemer concerning us, and they receive the intimation with willing and waiting faith. "The people that sat in darkness have seen great light." We West Indians have waited till the course of history seems sweeping down towards us. I for one do not

dare to sunder my connection with Jamaica, lest I should lose much, nay perhaps the most of my reward from the Master.

I had the pleasure of welcoming my countrymen of the Tennessee to Kingston. President White and Judge Burton and Frederic Douglas were delighted with Jamaica in comparison with San Domingo, beggary always excepted, in which respect President White declares that Kingston is worse than Naples.

I am surprised not to have received an application to the Committee made so many minutes. However, let it lie now till I come home in June.

Truly yours
G. C. Stastrock

JONES
NO. FI-4304
FISK UNIV.

S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
June 16th 1871

W. E. Whiting Esq
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Messrs McCartney and Waad to the amount of Fifty Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favour and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-42-05
FISK UNIV.

S. B. Miller

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Dear Bro.

Enclosed with this you will see acct. covering the two quarters ending June 1st 1871. I have not yet heard whether you have received the acct. for the qr. ending March 1st and so I have included that with the qr. just ended.

There is a balance in my favor of $1637.34. but as I have drawn $900. in March which is not yet entered in this acct. and as I expect to draw $750. now the acct. will be nearly even

There are one or two items in your acct. that I must ask you, to explain before I can enter them

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1 Sofa Tomy	1.—
48 Fresh Samples	12.96
	21.96

Note from 16/7

in my accts. with the brethren here
Your invoices do not sufficiently
explain them. For instance in your
a/c for Nov. 1870. you have. Books
Baughton & W. $18—. The only thing
in your invoices I can refer it
to is 12 Cong Hymn & Tune Books $14.40
The difference between the two sums I am
not make out—

The two items I should like
explained are.

Nov. 1870 Books Baughton & W. $18—
Jan. 1871 Lange & Papers $22.68
22.68

With kind regards
Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
June 1st 1871

Chesterfield. Aug. 1[illegible] 1871

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4206
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whipple

Enclosed herewith you will receive the annual Report of this Church & Station.

You will be glad I know to learn that I have been able to attend pretty regularly to most of my duties since last August in much weakness & not very efficiently it is true, but I am thankful to my Heavenly Father for what He has permitted me & enabled me to do & bear. I say to bear for it has not been altogether an easy & pleasant year to me. Evils have now & again cropped out among the people which have required all the diligence, faithfulness & prudence which I

was capable of to meet them
& deal with them. It seemed as
though Satan had set himself
to divide & if possible to destroy
the Church of Christ here by stirring
up animosities among the members
& setting them at variance with
one another. But God has been
on our side & instead of confusion
& every evil work which more
than once threatened to rain
ascendancy among us, He has
made peace & good will to
prevail again. And if it
prove in the future that in & by
all these things God's children
have learned better how to resist
the wicked one & better how to
live in love & peace with one an-
-other, we shall have fresh oc-
-casion to give thanks the great
Head of the Church who can cause

even His people's faults & follies to work together for their good.

Among the pleasing encouraging things of the past year is the increased interest manifested by old & young in Education. Indeed there has been quite a revival on this subject for the last three or four months. The school here you may remember was reported last August (1870) as closed. Last year March the brethren & myself came to this conclusion - to shut up the school & send the Teacher to another field. This we did, partly as an act of discipline to affect the people of this District, who for the year or two previous had shown great indifference about the matter scarcely sending out their children so that the attendance had dwindled down to far below what it used to

be & that we knew it should be. And we did it partly to give the teacher a more promising opinion of usefulness at Manning's Hill & the people there the benefit of his labors. Our action it seems has had a good effect. One & another of the Parents soon began to complain wishing that school to be opened again & young people came to me from time to time begging me to help them on in the improvement of their minds. Seeing this & knowing reason to believe especially from the commencement of this year that this good feeling was ~~becoming~~ extending both among our own people & others I determined to make the venture & reopen the school. Accordingly I took one or two of the most intelligent of our young men as my assistants & commenced the first week in May. A three months experiment has fully satisfied me that I did just what the people were ready to appreciate

Rev. D. ~~B.~~ ~~Bradley~~
~~Bangkok~~ ~~Siam~~
8/1/71 Rev. C B Vinning
Chesterfield

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NO. FI-4207

The very first week of school they began to send in their children with a heart. scarcely a child has been kept away but for unavoidable reasons. the children themselves came with all appearance of heartiness. I myself & assistants & scholars have all had a good happy three months of it. The strain upon my nerves & poor weak body was almost more than I could endure. especially during the first two or three weeks of organizing &c I felt sometimes that I would be compelled to give up. but God helped me by giving me good faithful assistants so that although the attendance gradually increased I was sustained till the last week in July when we broke up for our August Vacation.

Our Sab. School too has been increasing for the last two or three months till now it has near ly doubled the attendance at the beginning of the year.

~~On the whole~~

The contributions to the support of the ~~cas~~ ministry are about as usual while those for Station repairs &c have more than doubled & an unusual amount of labor given besides the amount reported last year, which is owing to increased exertions of the people to purchase & put up a bell for the Station.

On the whole then I am able as you see to report appearances of prosperity. I say 'appearances' for I cannot class these external ~~things~~ among the highest kind of blessings as indubitable signs of the work of the Holy Spirit

May the good Lord soon give us to see His gracious workings in the hearts & minds of our Yng people & children & all that our hearts may rejoice in the unmistakeable evidences of His presence & power among us to save souls & establish His Kingdom in the hearts of His people.

Knowing how very busily you must be engaged with the great work on your hands. I can scarcely ask you to write me. If however you can do it some time soon without taxing you too much I need not assure you that it will be a great pleasure to me to get a few lines from you.

Affectionly Your Brother
C. B. Venning

Report of Chesterfield Church & Station, from Aug. 1. 1870 to Aug. 1. 1871.

No. of Church Members on List Aug. 1. 1870		104
Decrease, viz. Deceased	1	
Excommunicated	1	
Dismissed by Letter	2	6
Removed & left irregularly	2	
		98
Increase, viz. By Letter		2
Present No. on List		100

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FL-4208 FISK UNIV.

No. of persons ~~[illegible]~~ connected with Church & Congregation	200
No. of Sab. School Scholars	120
	£ s d
Contributions for Station repairs &c.	24 . 17 . 1
Contributions to support of Minister	11 . 12 . 7½
" for Mission to Southern States	2 . 3 . 7½
	38 13 4

C. B. Venning, Pastor.

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Report of Chesterfield Day school
from May 1st 1871 to Aug 1st 1871.

No of scholars on List
viz Boys 35. Girls 21 } = 56

Average Daily attendance.
viz Boys 30. Girls 15 = 45

School Fees for the three months .. 4 " 17 - 9

C. B. Benning. Teacher

Report of Camberwell School
&c &c
Jno. Phillips. Teacher

Brandon Hill Jam.

Aug. 5th 1871

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. EI-4209
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whipple

Enclosed with this you will find the reports of the church at Brandon Hill and at Providence for the year ending Aug 1st 1871

The past year has seemed a very quiet one and as far as any apparent religious excitement was concerned a very tranquil one with us here at Brandon Hill and yet a larger number have been added to the church than in any year for two or three years past. It is gratifying to see a

good work here without any unusual excitement. We feel that the people are acting more intelligently and that the work will be a more permanent and genuine one. Some of those who have been added to the church have been reclaimed from very bad lives and now are walking so orderly that we cannot doubt but that they have experienced a change of heart. I have often felt disappointed that our labors among the people here have not had more apparent effect upon them and have sometimes too much doubted its having any effect but I am quite convinced that faithful

Christian labour will not be lost here any more than it will be lost anywhere and that the future will show that. The labours of God's servants some, of whom have sacrificed their lives here have not been in vain. It is true that it is a hard field and that we have peculiar trials and discouragements, And so have our people - and so much the more they need our assistance. I am sure also that God in his own way is doing his work. It may be that it is being slowly done ~~and perhaps not in the way we could wish~~ but it is being done and in the ~~better~~ way

that God makes.

I am sure that not only your missionaries but also our people are very thankful for the interest the Association still manifests in them and for the encouragement and aid they still give us notwithstanding seemingly more important and more encouraging fields have been entered. We labor under peculiar difficulties now. Our laborers are fewer than when our field was smaller and the work less pressing. We have just lost another missionary by the return of Mr. Starbuck to the States and we have just received under our charge

A. M. & ARCHIVES
NO F1-4210

another important and thriving little church at Manning's Hill which adds to our labors and responsibilities

Some of our chapels too are in such bad condition that it is a heavy tax upon us to keep them in order, we cannot use our chapel here at Brandon Hill at all and we are compelled to take it down and rebuild and it will be a heavy burden upon us for some time to come I am glad to say however that while some of the people are quite backward in giving assistance to rebuild it, others are doing exceedingly well quite as well as they could be

expected to do. We have raised this year $76. towards it and considerably more has been promised. Some of the boys have given $5. and some of the girls $3. to $4. I am gratified to see the young people take so much interest in it. They are now getting out the material for a new chapel and we hope before long to get it so that we can use it especially if we get the assistance on it we have asked from the Association

Our Congregations and Sabbath School are good and I have no doubt

but that we shall have a good day school as soon as we have a place to keep it in. The people seem very desirous of having it reopened. A good deal of interest has been shown in the Adult School. The congregation at Providence has been somewhat larger the past year and I have been glad to notice a larger number of young people attending the Sabbath services. The school there was somewhat broken up by the sickness of the teacher at the season of the year when the children attend best

Rev. S. B. Wilson
Brandon Hill

8/8/71

I think the people are improving at both places in intelligence and in showing a higher tone of Christian morality. One thing is certain we are having fewer cases of discipline. I can see too that our churches are having a good effect upon the people around us even upon those who do not join us in very many respects. I believe they are having a greater effect than we imagine. Eternity alone will reveal what the prayers and labors of Christian people have wrought here.

Yours very sincerely

S. B. Wilson

Stations	Whole Number Aug. 1st 1870	Received on Profession of Faith	Restored	Excommunicated	Dismissed by Letter	Whole Number Aug. 1st 1871	Infants baptized	Number in Congregation	Number in Sabbath School	Number in Day School	Contributions for Religious purposes
Brandon Hill	73	8	1	1	1	80	2	125	90		$75.00
Providence	47	0	0	1	0	46	1	80	50	40	$20.00

Brainerd Richmond Post Office
Jamaica Aug 16. 1871

Rev George Whipple Sec A. M. A.

Z. A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-4212
PRT UNIV.

My Dear Brother

Herewith I forward to you the report of the Church here to the 31st Sep.

You will observe that a few have been added to our number some of these were gathered from the Sab school and others from the world: and I am glad too to be able to report that others are coming forward asking fellowship with us, some, of whom we hope well, ~~and who~~ will: I doubt not, be in communion with us before these lines reach your ~~hand~~. It is evident that the

cause

cause of God is prospering with us, our congregations are good, and good ~~and regular~~ attention is paid to the word. ~~of God.~~

(Mr Neah) The question of "full surrender to God" is much talked of in the congregation, it looks like an awakening, and we ought to expect no less, but rather more, that God would bring poor sinners to himself and make them new creatures in Christ Jesus.

There is cause for great joy when we see children standing side by side with persons in advanced life, all babes in christ however, and together asking the way to Zion ~~with their faces thitherward.~~ ~~such has been the case here~~

no break.

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~~of late, and~~ such is the case ~~again~~ now, we cannot help being joyful. therefore that our dear Lord is pleased to vouchsafe our humble efforts to do good in his name.

Of course we have our disappointments and our sorrows too, it cannot be otherwise in this wicked world. and we must and do expect to meet them, but we expect also to overcome them, the cause is the Lord's, we rely upon the same word of promise. "for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." duty is ours results are with God.

The Sab school is well attended the average being upward of

of a hundred, and as the children are brought under religious training at an early age we hope for good results, indeed we do now enjoy the fruits of our labours.

The day school is well attended, which passed government inspection with satisfaction. the average attendance of pupils is just above sixty. Our teacher, Martin Hares, works on with pleasure, having a desire to do good both in the school and as an assistant Missionary. I thank God for such a man at my side.

The income of the ch is not what I could wish it to be, not what it ought to be, its painful to me to have to report this; the people are poor I know but not so poor as to be

unable

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Unable to contribute [illegible] to the cause of God.

ARCHIVES
FI-4213

The actual income was something less than the sum named in the report, but I myself, just brought it up a little, only a little, had I not a large family I would do not.

I take it for granted that Mr Starbuck now at home, will give you his own report of Eliot. but I will just say that I have again taken temporary charge of the Church there and I have promised the friends there that I will stand by them in their time of need, and it is indeed a time of need with them now. I find the membership to be just

just a little over sixty, the congregation appears to be not less than 150 many of whom are young persons growing up into life, altogether forming a charge far too important to be neglected. but I am sorry to say that the <u>Entire</u> <u>building</u> <u>is</u> <u>untenable</u> you may not be aware that the Minister's residence, chapel, school room, & teachers appartments are all under one roof. The building is all of wood, the main timbers have long since given way, and the roof begins to fall in, I have therefore advised Miss Woodcock to remove her school to Richmond, for a time at least. We shall need admn not less than

Then £60 to repair the building which ought to be done at once and which I am anxious to do.

The people themselves are collecting and have now in hand the sum of £11-- which together with the sum of £10- allowed by the A. M. A. leaves about two thirds of the sum needed to be collected for this object. most willingly would I undertake to have the work done without asking further aid of the A. M. A. but I am in doubt as to the possibility, and as my time is so fully occupied in my various duties that it is questionable if I could undertake so much extra responsibility without much inconvenience and loss. you will, I am sure, sympathize with

with me under all the circumstances and help me too to the best of your ability

The church at Manning's Hill is a new ~~cause~~ part of our work comparatively established in a thickly populated neighbourhood which gives promise of being a very fruitful church. The day school there, under our native brother, John L. Kelly. is now in good working order & which passed Government examination with satisfaction to all parties. The people there have built for themselves a new and substantial chapel the only help they received being a small grant from Government which I obtained for them. I send a report of this church also.

I have also obtained an opening

3 Opening grant from Government for a school in August Town, distant about five miles and in a neighbourhood where many of our Brainerd people have located. I felt it to be my duty to take this step to meet the growing wants of the rising race there.

I take it for granted that as I have so much work on my hands that you will not be unwilling to allow a teacher's salary for August Town.

Our brethren now in the mission are prevented by distance and indisposition of body from helping me to any extent. I do not in the least mind the hard work, that is always a pleasure, but I feel the responsibility seriously and

and I would seriously ask you to send us a Missionary, a real good warm hearted brother who would be willing to work heartily in his Master's vineyard; and one who would not be desirous to quit the field too soon.

As to myself, I am happy that after thirty odd years residence here in Jamaica I am well and happy. My Father enables me to attend to daily duties with pleasure, and I hope with profit to others. I have been favoured with a strong constitution well adapted to this climate and altho' I feel nearly as strong as heretofore, yet I am not a young man and am aware

aware that at no distant day I must diminish in strength and energy too.

I seriously hope you may be able to send us some help.

We purpose (DV) holding a business meeting at Chesterfield in about ten days hence, when this and other important subjects must be taken up and formally brought to your notice.

I am My Dear Brother
Yours very truly
Jno Thompson

Rev. John Thompson,
Brainerd,
Jamaica
8/16/71

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-42.14
FISK UNIV.

— The A. M. A. in ace with the Treas Sam. Mission —

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1871		Cr.
Aug. 31st	By balance brought forward	$1637.34
" "	Salaries for yr. ending date	
" "	Thompson Verning & Wilson $187.50 ea.	562.50
" "	Teachers and rent of rooms as per last yr.	210.00
		$2409.84
	Contributions of Churches for years	133.93
	Balance	$2275.91

Brandon Hill Aug 31st 1871

Dear Bro. Whiting

Above you have the acct. for the quarter ending Aug. 31st.

Most of the purchases made in New York are for things for our people who would not be able to pay for them at a gold rate and we would not be able to stand it as we generally now have to stand for them the expense of getting things out. What I might get individually I would be willing to make no difference between gold and currency on. I shall be glad to have the matter corrected by a return to speci[illegible] [illegible]ld some [illegible] acct.

I see you have paid for the Trust Journal (Germany) for me but I do not receive it.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-4216
FISK UNIV.

S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
Sept. 5th 1871

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn an order as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Briscoe & Brothers for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars bills fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above, with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly

S. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson
Kingston Jamaica
Sept. 5th 1871

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4217
FISK UNIV.

$100 Gold 15 each Mo
534 Lexington St
Baltimore

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

Please send upon the receipt of this to Mrs. Jane Savage Mount-Street 3 Doors above Lexington St. Baltimore a check for an amount equivalent to One hundred dollars Gold and please send the same amount to the same address on the 15th of every month until advised to discontinue the same and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson.

Annual report of the Church at Branerd Jamaica Sep 31. 1871

Ministers Name	Jno Thompson.
Church formed	March 31. 1841
Membership	Males 53
	Females 117
	Total 170
Additions	Profession 11
	By letter 1
	Total 12
Removals	By death 3
	Dismissed 2
	Excom 3
	Total 8
Attendance	Average 350
Income	For Station purposes £20-
	" Ministers support £10-
	Total £30

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4218 FISK UNIV.

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Report of the Church at Manning Hill
Jamaica

Minister's name	Jno Thompson
Church formed	about the year 1850
United with the the A.M.C.A	April 1871
Membership	Male 25
	Female 36
	Total 61
Income	Collected towards chapel fund £24
	" general expenses 2.10/-
	£26.10.0

The average attendance at Mannings Hill cannot be less than 200. The chapel fills well usually

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4219
FISK UNIV.

5 B Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
Oct 24th 1871

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treas. American Missionary Association to the order of Messrs. McCartney & Wood for the sum of Fifty dollars Gold .. fifteen days after sight —

Please honor the above and oblige

Yours truly

J. B. Wilson

Rev. S. B. Wilson
Brandon Hill
11/2/71

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4220
FISK UNIV.

Brandon Hill
Mar. 2nd 1871

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Dear Brother

On the 15th of last April at a Missionary meeting here the brethren voted to ask the A.M.A. for one hundred and twenty-five dollars for each of the two Stations Brandon Hill and Elias to assist in rebuilding the chapels in those places and for one hundred dollars

a year to aid in supporting a teacher at August Dawn an out-station of Brainard

I transmitted these requests to you but have not as yet received an answer whether they were granted or not.

Our chapel at Brandon Hill is level with the ground and we have no place to meet in

One hundred dollars contributed by the church has been expended in getting material for the

new chapel It is nearly
all on the ground
but there the work has
to stop - The rainy
season is at hand
and we know not
how to get along unless
we can get help soon
from the Association to
assist us in putting it
up The people are
still willing to contribute
but at the slow way
they must contribute
it will be a very long
time before we have a
place to worship in unless
we can get assistance from

some other source

The government here has given us a generous grant for the school at August Town but we should be unable to open a school there without the aid asked from the association

We shall be very thankful to get an answer from this season so that we may know what to do

Yours very faithfully

D. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson
Kingston Nov. 30th 187[illegible]
Jamaica W. I.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4221
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir I

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Calthurst & Co. for the sum of Four hundred dollars gold fifteen days after sight

Please honor the above with your usual favor and oblige

Yours truly S. B. Wil[illegible]

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— The A.M.A. in a/c with

1871			Dr.
Nov. 30th	By Balance brought forward		$2275.91
" "	" Salaries yr. ending Nov. 30th		
" "	" Thompson Venning & Wilson ea $187.50		562.50
" "	" Miss. Lucy Woodcock	$75.—	
" "	" John Phillips & Louis Kelly ea $25 =	50.—	
" "	" Wm. Davis & Chst. St. School ea $25 =	50.—	
" "	" Martin Harris	40.—	
" "	" Rent of Rooms 3 m. Kingston	20.—	235.—
" "	" Dif. Gold & Curey Dft. $600. Apr.	64.50	
" "	" Ditto. Dft. $300 " "	32.25	
" "	" Ditto $75 Gold sent to Dr. Jewett	10.—	
" "	" Dr. Schaffe for C.C.S	3.70	110.45
" "	" C.C. Starbuck June	50.—	
" "	" Dif. Gold & Curey. Dft $750. June	100.30	150.30
" "	" Books C.C. Starbuck July	5.76	
" "	" Balance C.C.S " "	95.90	
" "	" Dif. Gold & Curey Dft. $50 "	6.00	107.66
			$3441.82

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO FI-4222
FISK UNIV.

the Treas. of Jamaica Mission

1871			Cr.
91 Nov. 30th	By W. E. W. Apr.	✓	$1085.45
" "	" W. E. W. May.	✓	5.76
50 " "	" W. E. W. June	✓	900.30
" "	" W. E. W. July	✓	157.66
	This amt. to balance		1292.65
	$1292.65	✓	$3441.82

Brandon Hill Nov 30/71

Dear Bro. Whiting

You will see in my a/c. $25 for Chestd. school. The school has recently been reopened there and as Mr. Venning gives the amt. for the present to two or three assistant teachers I have given the name of the school instead of the names of the teachers.

You will observe a balance in my favor this yr. of $1292.65

Yours truly S. B. Nelson

Richmond, P. O.
Jamaica, W.
Dec. 8th 1871

Rev. Geo. Whipple Sec. A.M.A.
39. Reade Street

Please order the following papers
the coming year 1872. and charge
my account with the A.M.A. in so doing
you will oblige. Miss L. Woodcock

~~Evening Post Weekly~~
~~Christian Union~~
~~The above papers are from the Evening Post~~
~~office at $8,50. per year (Address.~~
~~Mr. H. B. Wolcott~~

~~Harpers Weekly~~
~~Harpers Bazar~~ Miss L. Woodcock

~~Moore's Rural New Yorker~~
Rev S. T. Wolcott
All are to be sent Richmond P.O.
Jamaica West Indies

Miss L. A. Woodcock
12/8/71

Evening Post weekly
Ch. Union
Eve post office $3.50 per Ann
address H. B. Wolcott
Richmond.
by mail St Mary
Jamaica, W. I.

Order this
W. S. W.

Harpers Weekly
" Bazar
Miss L. A. Woodcock
as above
Moores Rural New Yorker
Rev. S. T. Wolcott
as above

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
No. FI-1224
FISK UNIV.

Richmond. P.O.
St Mary.
Jamaica W.I.
Dec. 8th 1871

Rev. Geo. Whipple Secy. A.M.A.
53. Reade. Street N.Y.

You will oblige by adding the following papers, for the coming year 1872. and charge the same – to my account. In so doing you will oblige Yours –
Miss H. Woodcock

Evening Post Weekly 9
Christian Union 20

The above papers are from the Evening Post office at [illegible] per year. Address
Mr H. B. Wolcott

Harpers. Weekly 9
Harpers. Bazar 3.
Miss H. Woodcock

Moore's Rural New Yorker –
Rev. S. T. Wolcott.

All are to be sent to the above P.O

1871 — The A. M. A. in a/c with

			Dr
March 1st	Balance brought forward		$8671.96
"	" Salaries of Ministers as per last yr.		750.—
"	" Salaries of teachers & Rent of rooms. Ditto		210.—
June 1st	Salaries of Ministers as per last yr.		750.
"	" Salaries of teachers & rent of Rooms as per last yr.		210—
"	" Freight paid in New York Apr 10	3.80	
"	" C. contributions of Churches entered in a/c Sept. 1870	154.99	158.79
"	" Aid from A. M. A. for Eliot church	50.00	
"	" Passage of C. C. S. Starbuck to New York	67.70	117.70
"	" Difference between Gold & currency on the following items paid in New York		
"	" Dft $1050 Gold (April)	126.—	
	Sent to Dr Jewett $75. Gold	9.37	
"	" Dft $100. Gold (Apr.)	13.—	
"	" Cos Jamestown Banks & Checks April Gold 1.12	10.97	159.34
"	" Dft $450 Gold (July)	55.12	
"	" Dft $350 Gold (July)	51.18	106.30
"	" Cos Banks $13.88 (August) Gold 1.07	2.02	
"	" Cos $550 Gold paid Banks (Aug.)	8.50	10.52
"	" Dft. $550 Gold (Sept)	7.25	
"	" Cos $30 curry paid McCentry (Sept) Gold 1.04	3.69	10.94
"	" Dft $750 Gold (Oct)	103.12	
"	" Map & Lantern Slides & Papers (Oct.) Gold 1.13	7.84	110.96
"	" Cos Books (Nov.) Gold 1.13	3.40	
"	" Cos $120 paid in Dec. W. E. W. Gold 1.10	10.91	14.31
"	" Dft $800. Gold Jany. 1871	88.00	
"	" Cos Books & Papers (Jany.) Gold 1.10	2.07	90.07
"	" Dft C. C. S. $35 Gold (Feby).	4.—	
	Paid to Mr. Bunker for C. C. S. $25 (Mar)	2.87	6.87
			$8377.76
	Bal		1,637.34

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The Treasurer of Jamaica Mission

			Cr
1870 June 17.	By W. E. W. Apr. 1870	+	$1.471.20
" "	" Ditto July 1870	+	906.30
" "	" Ditto August 1870	+	72.38
" "	" Ditto Sept. 1870	+	242.24
" "	" Ditto Oct. 1870	+	921.23
" "	" Ditto Nov. 1870	+	29.52
" "	" Ditto Dec. 1870	+	120.—
" "	" Ditto Jany. 1871	+	910.68
" "	" Ditto Feby. 1871	+	39.00
" "	" Ditto March 1871	+	27.87
	This amt. to balance	+	1,637.34
			$6377.76

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-42-25
FISK UNIV.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4226
FISK UNIV.

B Wilson
[illegible]ndon Hill Jamaica
[illegible] Jan 4th 1872

Mon [illegible] 13 to 5 [illegible] answer yet for
[illegible] Home [illegible] for western suffers

Dear Bro. Whiting

Will you please send us
from our churches ~~[illegible] missionaries had~~
the sum of Fifty Dollars Gold to the sufferers
from the western fires in the country parts
Please send it through whatever source
seems best to you

Please [illegible] if possible by
the [illegible] that leaves New York on or
before 15 Feb.

4 Gross Moffats Pills
2 Boxes Browns Branchial Trachees
1/2 Doz Clocks at about $8. each
6+7 Reader not published — Willsons Readers 1 Copy each 4th 5th 6th & 7th
g. e. Barnes Notes on the Gospels (1 Copy)
1 Copy Beechers Sermons with Portrait (J. B. Ford & Co Park Row)
Efm 2 Copies Lange on John. Chs. Scribner
1 Doz Fresh Laurels } Biglow & Main
1 Doz Bright Jewels }

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES

for 1872

Please order for me the following papers to be sent direct from the office of Publication to Rev. S. B. Wilson Care of Messrs. McCartney and Waad Kingston Jamaica West Indies

~~the following papers for 1872~~

✓ 1 Copy Harpers weekly

✓ 1 Ditto New York Weekly Tribune

+ ✓ 1 Ditto Tract Journal in German

and oblige

Yours very truly

S. B. Wilson

Tract Journal in German not to be charged

Rev S. B. Wilson
1/4/72

Brandon Hill Jamaica
Jan 4th 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4227
FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo. Whipple

My dear Bro.

I am requested by the mission here to ask permission of the Ex. Com. through you for the privilege of employing a native assistant preacher at a salary of $250 per annum to assist Bro. Thompson in the work at the three stations under his care

We are anxious to do all we can to make the expenses of our mission as light as possible to the A. M. A. and yet not let the interests of the cause of christ suffer here any more than we can help But it seems absolutely necessary that Bro. Thompson should have help from some source or both he and his work will suffer. He has three churches and three schools to care for which would give work enough for three men

We have thought of two ways to help himself. The first was to ask a minister to be sent out from America to supply the place left vacant by the return of Mr. Stardwell. The other (by far the less expensive) was to allow Bro. Thompson still to have the pastoral charge of the three stations and employ a native preacher to help him wherever he may wish. As two of his stations are about 25 miles apart from each other it is quite impossible for him to supply all three every Sabbath or even regularly in good and bad weather every alternate Sabbath.

We know a very excellent Christian man here who has been a local preacher amongst the Wesleyans for more than 30 years between we could now employ. As we know him too to be a very earnest Christian man in doing good and a very acceptable preacher to the people we very much wish to secure him. We trust you will give us an early answer to our request.

Will you please post the enclosed letter for me and hand the enclosed note to Mr. Whiting.

Yours in Christ -

S. B. Wilson

Rev. S. B. Wilson
2/1/72
To N.E.H.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4828
FISK UNIV.

S B Wilson
Brandon Hill Sam. W. I.
Feb 1st 1872

Dear Bro. Whiting

Last month I wrote requesting you to send an amount equivalent to $50. Gold to the sufferers from the fires in the country in the West. If that has been sent please send in addition enough to make it up to $80. Gold If you failed to receive my letter and nothing has been sent of course send at once the whole amt. ie $80. Gold Please send it through whatever source you may think best.

I ordered the following papers for 1872 to be sent to me care of Messrs. McCartney & Wood Kingston W. I. direct from the office of publication Harper's Weekly; New York Weekly Tribune and the American Messenger or [illegible]

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. [illegible]
NEW YORK

Brandon Hill Sam. N.S.
Feb 14th 1872

Dear Bro. Whiting

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I also ordered the following books

✓ 1 Copy Barnes Notes on the Gospels
✓ 2 Copies of Langes Commentary on John
✓ 1 Copy Bedeker's Sermons with portrait
✓ 1 Copy each 4th 5th 6th & 7th Williams Readers
× 2 Doz Fresh Laurels } Bigham & Main
× 2 Doz Bright-Jewels }
✓ 4 Gross Moffat's Pills
✓ 2 Boxes Brown's Bronchial Troches
✓ 1½ doz Clocks worth about $3. each (Cologne)

If the above articles & newspapers have not been ordered & sent on I would be very much obliged if you would send them on as soon as you can.

I believe I have here 2 Doz each of the Fresh Laurels & Bright-Jewels instead of one but if nothings have not been sent please follow this order.

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

P.S. Will you please send on the enclosed letter and oblige

S. B. W.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4229
FISK UNIV.

Kingston Jamaica
Febr 7th 1872

W. E. Whiting Esq
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the Order of Davidson Coltman & Co for the sum of Three hundred and twenty five dollars Gold. fifteen days after sight

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor

And oblige
Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson
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S. T. Wolcott

Richmond P.O.
St Mary -
Jamaica W.I.
Feb 23 - 1[illegible]

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4238
NEW UNIV.

Mr W. E. Whiting Esq

Dear Sir

The enclosed order was sent as addressed for some papers, as they do not come it is possible it was never received at the rooms of the A.M.A.

So it is renewed again have them sent from their respective publishing offices direct to Richmond P.O. St Marys Jamaica W.I. as there is made communication every two [illegible] between Jamaica and New York

Yours -
Mr [illegible]

Eve^g Post. Weekly. } H. B. Wolcott
Ch^n Union } Richmond
St. Mary's
Jamaica
W. I.

Clerk, at office of Eve Post, for $3.50.

Harpers Weekly J. C. } Miss L. A. Woodcock
" Bazar. } Richmond
St Mary's
Jamaica
W. I.

No 5 Beekman St
Moores Rural, New Yorker } Rev. S. T. Wolcott
Richmond
St Mary's
Jamaica
W. I.

Harpers Weekly, Journal } Rev. S. B. Wilson
N. Y. Tribune Subscribed Jan 24/72 } care of
McCartney & Wood
Kingston
Jam^a.

W. E. W. If these have not been sent, (this year) please send them, all post paid.

G. W.
Feb 27/72

Kingston Jamaica
March 4th 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4232
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Alexander Berry to the amount of One Hundred Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight—

Please honor the drawn with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly

A. B. Wilson

Will you please send to Dr. W. E. Jewett Adrian Michigan a check for a sum equal to Seventy five dollars Gold, and also forward to him the enclosed letter.

Please also send me by return mail a full statement of all the sums you have sent Mrs. Savage as I wish to make a complete settlement with Mr. Savage here for the amount sent. and I wish to do so as soon as I can

With kindest regards

Yours very truly

S. B. Wilson

A. ARCHIVES
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S. B. Wilson
Not to Jan 1/72

The A. M. A. in a/c with the Treas. Sam. Mission

1872.			Dr.
Jan. 1st		To Balance brought forward	$647.95
" "		" Salaries for yr ending June 1st. of Thompson Venning & Wilson @ $187.50	562.50
" "		" Ditto Duchess Rent of Rooms Kingston 3 months	
" "		" the same as last quarter	235.—
" "		" Rebuilding Brandon Hill Chapel (grant of a.m.a.)	125.—
" "		" Ditto Elliot Chapel	75.—
			$1645.45

Brandon Hill Jan. 1st 72

Dear Bro. Whiting

As I have recd. from you no a/cs of the payments you have made in New York lately I have nothing to enter to your credit this quarter and the balance against you is $1645.45 When your acct. is sent for I presume our accts will be about even.

Sabin Mission
1872 to 1 June

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Yours very truly

S. B. Wilson

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. II-16334
RISK WRITE

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			Dr.
March 1st	To balance brought forward		$1292.65
" "	" Salaries. yr. ending date		
" "	" Thompson, Verning, Wilson $187.50		562.50
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" "	" as per last quarter		235.—
" "	" Difference between Gold & currency		
" "	" Dpt. $50 Gold Sept.	7.13	
" "	" Mrs Savage $100. " "	14.—	
" "	" Dpt $500. Gold " "	74.37	95.50
" "	" Mrs. Savage $100. Oct.	14.37	
" "	" Books & Lands Extract $20.	2.80	17.17
" "	" Mrs. Savage $100. Nov.		11.25
" "	" Dpt. $50 Gold Dec.	5.12	
" "	" Mrs. Savage $100. "	9.50	
" "	" Dpt $400. Gold "	38.—	52.62
" "	" Collections churches entered in Sept's a/c or as before		133.93
" "	" Cartage &c to E. W. Nov.		6.19
			2406.81

ith the Treasurer of Jamaica Mission —

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" "	" W. E. W. Nov.	x	117.44
" "	" W. E. W. Dec	x	602.62
"	This Amt. to balance		647.95
			2406.81

Amt 5—

Brandon Hill Mar 1st 1872

Dear Bro. Whitings

You will observe from the above acct. that $647.95 is due me. but with the draft I shall have to make to cover our salaries for the past yr. the acct. will stand about even.

Yours very truly

J. B. Wilson

Brandon Hill Farm
Apr. 3rd. 1872

Dear Bro. Whiting

Please send to Mrs Savage an additional $75 Gold this month (April) making in all One Hundred and seventy five dollars Gold. After this please send regularly One Hundred dollars gold on the 15th. of each month as before. Of course if you have already sent $100. for April you will only send on the additional $75 gold

Her present address is.

W. E. Whiting Esq

S. B. Wilson
Oct 13/72

Mrs. Jane Savage.
534. West Lexington Street
Baltimore

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 71-4235
FISK UNIV.

Kind regards
Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-4236
FISK UNIV.

Brandon Hill Jamaica
Apr. 3rd 1872

Rev. Geo. Whipple
59 Reade Street New York

My dear Bro.

We are very thankful for your communication of Feb 27th. The permission to employ an assistant for Bro. Thompson in our present straightened circumstances is a very great help to us. Mr John McLead is the name of the man we have employed

We shall endeavor to reduce the amount we have asked for building purposes all we can and call on you for only what we cannot absolutely do without. At that we shall be able to reduce it considerably.

Your missionaries here have felt it very much that we were not able after so long time to bring our churches up nearer to the position of self-support. and for the past ten years we have been unremitting in our efforts to educate them up to this or at least much nearer to it. We have accomplished much for you will bear witness that we draw far less upon you for our schools and also repairs of our buildings

But I am afraid we have looked for more than we could reasonably expect. It costs nearly as much to build and to keep in repair our chapels here as it does the churches there accommodating congregations of the same size. I know our chapels are much inferior to the churches there in appearance and condition but I can assure you they do not cost much less. for every kind of building material is very expensive and very difficult to be brought on the ground. For every way it costs quite as much to maintain their religious institutions here as it would there but how does their ability compare with the ability of Christians at home. There are but few of the members of our churches but that are glad to get employment at one shilling and three pence a day (about 30 cts) and board themselves besides. It seems to me dear Bro. that for some time to come even if our people do the best they can, that we shall have to do a great deal for them But I hope it may not be in vain, I believe the work is Christ's. and that he will bless it to the good of our people and also to those who both directly and indirectly have accomplished anything in it. Some do not do what they ought we know and with such we must continue to labor to bring them up to a higher sense of their duty But some are doing well.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
FISK UNIV.

August-Town is four miles from Brainerd. The place has been settled by Brainerd people who still keep up their connection with Brainerd church and attend there every Sabbath for public worship; but of course it is too far to send their children to school. There are about one hundred children in the place and as their parents are own church members we feel under obligations to give them a school. The government here has already given us $110 Gold for it which with ~~with~~ the labor of the people living there has enabled us to put up a school house which will serve not only as such but as place to hold occasional meetings in. We expect the government will aid us in the support of a teacher with from $50 to $100. a year. We have opened the school already and it promises well. Please let us know soon whether you authorize the appropriation of $100 a year for the support of a teacher as we do not wish to leave him long in doubt.

I have recently had a severe hemorrhage of the lungs but I am thankful to say however that I recovered from it well. I was prevented from preaching but one Sabbath.

Please hand the enclosed ~~note~~ to Mr. Whiting and forward the enclosed letter.

With my kindest Christian regards I remain
Yours Affly.
J. B. Wilson

L. B. Wilson

4/3/72 Brandau Hill

Jamaica

W. A. ARCHIVES
FISK UNIV.

J. B. Wilson
May 9/72

Brandon Hill
May 9th 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4238
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I send the accompanying order to Mrs. John Savage, Huntsville who wishes the money remitted to his wife. You can send it to her in Baltimore or pay it in New York as Mrs. Savage may direct.

Yours truly

J. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson

Wingdale Dam.
June 5th 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4234
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Alexander Berry for the sum of One Hundred Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly S. B. Wilson

Report of the Church at Eliot, Jamaica, under the pastoral care of John Thompson, August 1. 1872

Membership

Males — 19
Females — 31
Total — 50

Additions

None

Removals

Died — 1
Dismissed — 1
Excom — 4
Total — 6

Income

Collected for Station purposes £3.0.0
in aid of building fund 3.0.0
in aid of the Mission 2.0.0
Total £8.0.0

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4248
FISK UNIV.

Report of the Church at Morning Hill, Jamaica, under the pastoral care of John Thompson.

August 1. 1872

Morning Hill

Membership

Males	26
Females	39
Total	65

Additions

By profession	4
Restored	1
Total	5

Removals

Died	1

Income

Collected in aid of building fund	£8-0-0
in aid of the Mission	2-0-0
Total	£10-0-0

Report of the Church at Brainard, Jamaica, under the care of John Thompson, August 1. 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4242
FISK UNIV.

Brainard

Membership

Males	54
Females	119
Total	173

Additions

By profession	8
Restored	1
Total	9

Removals

Died	4
Excom	2
Total	6

Income

Collected for Station purposes	£ 4. 10. 0
" in aid of the Mission	5. 10. 0
Total	£ 10. 0. 0

Report of Chesterfield Church & Station from Aug. 1. 1871 to Aug. 1. 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. H-4215 FISK UNIV.

	£	s	d
Present Number of Church Members on List	103		
Contributions to Support of Ministry	11	6	6
" for Freedmen of the South	2	2	0
Collections for Station Purposes	10	15	3½
" " Benevolent Objects	6	0	0

Total £30. 3. 9½ or about = $150.

Number of Sab. Congregation	150 to 180
" " Sab. School	120

C. B. Henning

(over)

Return of Day School

Average No. on list Boys 58. Girls 30 = 88

Average Daily Attendance " 35½ " 22½ = 58

School fees £22. 6. 1½

Brandon Hill Jam.
Aug. 10th 1872

ARCHIVES
FI-4244

Rev. Geo. Whipple

My dear brother

I have neither increased nor decreased to report in reference to the church here at Brandon Hill with the exception of the loss of one member by death. You are aware that just about a year ago we were compelled to take down our chapel and we have been without a house of any kind to worship in during the year. A few of the people have now and then met in the yard of one of our deacons and others when the weather would permit have gone to Providence Station five miles away where I have preached every Sabbath. Our people have suffered for the want of their usual religious services. Some could not go to Providence at all and none could

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go regularly. They say they are "hungry to have the chapel up and to be able to attend again"

Of course we could have no well-organized plans of working and in such a community as this it is very essential in order to accomplish much for the souls around us as well as to promote the health of those in the church that all of our services are well kept up and that our people are as actively engaged as possible. I am glad to report however that our new chapel is well under way and that soon we shall be able to use it. I am also glad to report that the people are very earnest and active in helping it on. They have contributed altogether about $150. in money which considering their circumstances is doing very well. They have also had a great deal of heavy work to do in bringing the material for the chapel on the ground which shows their interest in the work and which I hope promises us something good when we get it completed

I can assure you it was extremely difficult for the people to bring out the sills and nearly all the other timber. the boards and the shingles from the woods and this without any other sacrifice would show well for them. One morning I went out on the road over which for three miles they had to carry the heavier pieces of timber and saw nine or six men among which was one of the deacons of the church carrying a piece of timber that was about all they could do to stand up under and this they were obliged to carry up a very steep hill and over very rough and narrow roads

Another time I went in the wood about the same distance away from which the young people and the children were bringing out the shingles and here the path was so very narrow and up and down such steep places that I could scarcely walk without a burden and I was surprised at the heavy loads they would carry here

When I saw what they were willing to do in this ways I felt they were deserving not of great praise but of some assistance from home to help them out and I am very glad of the assistance you have given us. Our work was at a stand still. We had had no money to employ carpenters and although the people were willing to give work they found it more than they were able to do to give money enough to put it up. We were all getting quite discouraged but now that the carpenters are here and the work going on all feel hopeful and ready for new sacrifices. The carpenters rejected a great deal of the material they had brought and even a number of the largest pieces, but they went to work very cheerfully and brought out new ones.

We hope soon to have the chapel so that we can use it, and we hope to enjoy better things for the sacrifices we have been called to make. I hope soon to be able to send you a cheerful report of things here. We have some talking of it even now. We have seen things to make us rejoice in the

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past and have felt that the blessing of God was upon us and we hope he will bless us more abundantly in the future and that we shall see even better things

A.M.A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4248 Branch

I have enjoyed my labors ~~at Sandiance~~ this year very much and have felt that God has blest his truth to the little church there. Only two members have been added to the church and one member restored. but an inquiry class has been formed from which some will soon be gathered ~~into the church~~. The congregation has been unusually good. The school was closed for six months and the Sabbath school suffered somewhat because the teacher was away ~~to a~~ training school to be drilled in the practice of teaching in which he was deficient although his qualifications ~~otherwise~~ were quite good. He has returned and the school will soon be reopened and we trust a new interest given to the Sabbath school

The contributions for religious purposes for the year was about $45.

Rev. S. B. Wilson
Brandon Hill,
Jamaica.

8/10/72

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-112-19
FISK UNIV.

Bro. Venning has given me the report of the church at Chesterfield and wishes me to give you his kind love and say that he would gladly write you but that he is quite unable. and he says to tell you that it would give him no little pleasure to hear from you if with your numerous duties you were able to write to him

The church at Chest. is prospering in almost everything. It is gratifying to see, notwithstanding their minister is an invalid that with him there merely to guide things how well everything moves. It shows moreover that his labors there in the past have not been in vain. He has labored hard there for many years - he has had many discouragements and his share of trials but he lives to see that his labors have not been unfruitful and to see many things to cheer him. when his labors are about over

Judging from the reports given at the last meeting of our Association here I should say that things were looking brighter at nearly all of our Stations. It is true our laborers are few but we feel that God is with us and we expect to see good accomplished in his name

Trusting we shall have your continued prayers

I remain your bro in Christ

S. B. Wilson

Rev J. Thompson

1 Richmond Post Office

Jamaica

August 17 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH 4250
FISK UNIV

Rev George Whipple Sec A. M. A.

My Dear Brother

Herewith I forward to you the reports of three churches under my pastoral care to the 1st inst.

Altho we have sustained a loss at Eliot yet I am hopeful of that little church. Now that the chapel has been rebuilt and is in a fair way to completion, the congregations thicken up, and the Sabbath school is well attended both by children and adults. This institution gives me much comfort and I do hope that God in his mercy may be pleased to call many precious souls to himself through Sabbath school instruction.

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The population at Eliot is sparse and the district is not altogether a desirable one to settle in, and many persons when they grow up prefer to settle elsewhere, we cannot therefore expect the church to be large but we feel it to be important that those who leave us should carry the gospel with them.

Most of the teachers in the Sabbath school are young persons who grew up under the care of Missionaries early on the field, we now reap the reward of their labours, thank God and take courage.

You are aware, I believe, that Miss Woodcock removed down to Richmond where she established a school which now numbers about forty pupils. Miss W. had so [illegible] as the whole building at Eliot became untenable and had to be taken down.

But now that the chapel has been rebuilt, the friends there are anxious to reestablish the day

Dayschool there, and I am anxious that they should do so, provided however, that it shall be Industrial and self supporting, asking Government aid only, as a matter of right.

Death has been busy at Brainerd and four of our number have left us for a world of Spirits, and a few persons have left the world to join our communion.

I am glad to say that our congregations here are good, both Sabbath and dayschools are well sustained. The word of God is listened to with good attention and several persons have applied for fellowship with us, some of whom we hope to receive at our next Church Meeting.

Then on the other hand we have our cares and anxieties, and now and again, serious disappointments, but I trust that these things are made a blessing to many, as we learn

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To rely more entirely upon divine aid.

Mr John McLeod, my assistant, is now at Beaudonhill where he is building a Chapel for Bro Wilson when that is done he will be mostly employed here at Brainerd and I will devote the time between the two small Churches viz Eliot & Morningsihill.

Of the Church at Morningsihill I am glad to be able to speak with much comfort and hope, we only lost one Member during the year, a few have united with us and others have applied, two of whom will doubtless be received next Church meeting. The daysschool is well established and passed Govt examination with credit to both teacher and pupils in the early part of the year. as did the school at Brainerd also.

I deeply regret that our collections are so small. I did hope for some improvement in Money Matters at the

5 The beginning of the year but I have been disappointed; partial failure of crops throughout this part of the country is the cause of this; our people are poor at best but in the event of a failure of crops they become very poor.

It appears to have fallen to the lot of your Missionarys to dwell amongst the poorest of the poor in the land. and to them we preach the Gospel.

Our young friend, Mr Henry Wolcott, kindly took charge of a barrel of fruit for you when he returned to New York, I should be glad to know if it reached you in good condition, and if you can suggest a better mode of parking, as I hope to send again.

I forward, Thro Bro Wilson, £9" 10" 0 being Missionary collections for the year.

With much love, I am
My Dear Brother
Yours very truly
Jno Thompson

Rev. Jno. Thompson
Richmond P.O.
Jamaica,
8/17/72

A.M.E. ARCHIVES
EI-11250

Miss L. A. Woodworth

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. H-4255
FISK UNIV.

Richmond P.O. St Mary's
Jamaica W.I.
Aug. 19th 1892

Rev. Geo. Whipple Cor. Sec
53 Reade Street New York

Another year has come for me to render to the A.M.A. an account of my labors in the school room. No doubt you have been informed ere this that I left Eliot last September as the building there was not suitable to remain in during another rainy season. The building was to be pulled down and another one to be rebuilt or whatever the workmen thought best to be done, with the building. I came to Richmond and rested during the rainy seasons which did me much good. During this time the plan was that I could reopen a school here as there

were many children that did not attend school any where, also many of the children at Eliot could be accomodated here also ——

I opened school the 8th of January with B. children, but as each week came round new ones were admitted so that my number was soon up to 40.

So I am encouraged to go on as Richmond is a central place and a good locality for a school. I began teaching in one of the rooms of the house that I occupy but as my school increased I removed to the Court House which was formerly the school room.. where Mr Wolcott taught

I closed the last week in July for the big vacation. - I had 50 on the list and 28. of this number commenced with A.B.C. about half of this number could read quite well

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in the testament and also could begin to write simple words on slates, and all could make the figures. and some quite ready in simple sums of addition &c &c I shall open again the first Monday in sept. During the past 7 months I have not been absent from the school room a day on account of ill ness. 3 day the school was closed on account the rain. during these months.

I remain Yours

Miss L A Woodcock

A.M.A. ... No. F1-4257 FISK U

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The Report of the School at Richmond from January 8th up to the first of Aug. 1892 — 1892

	Boys.	Girls	Total
	22.	28.	50 On Books
Daily Av.	16 -	17 -	33.

The school fee from children

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Miss Grey A Woodcock
Teacher

P.S. The school fees are 6 per month for those that are just begining and 9 per month for those that can read in testament write and arithmetic.

G.W.

Miss L. A. Woodcock
Richmond P.O. St Mary's
Jamaica W. I
8/19/72

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH 4258
FISK UNIV.

Kingston Jamaica
Sept. 4th 1872

S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-4259
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Calthurst Esq. for the sum of Six Hundred dollars gold. fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your usual favor and oblige

Yours truly

S. B. Wilson

Sept 1/72

The American Missionary Association in Acct. with the Treasurer of Jamaica Mission

1872				Cr. 1872.			Dr.
Sept. 1st.		To. Balance brought forward		$1645.45	Sept. 1st.	By W. E. W. Jan.	$192.83
" "		" Salaries to date Venning, Thompson & Wilson.		562.50	" "	" W. E. W. Feb.	229.15
" "		" Ditto Mr. John McLeod		62.50	" "	" W. E. W. Mar.	128.16
" "		" Ditto Teachers & Rent of Rooms Kingston & Mandeville		210.00	" "	" W. E. W. Apr.	556.63
" "		" C. C. Starbuck to W. E. W. for S.B.W. July 72		15.00	" "	" W. E. W. May	681.56
" "		" Dif. between Gold & currency on payments in New York			" "	" Contributions from Jamaica churches	
" "	Jan.	" Mrs Savage $100. Gold	$9.00		" "	by Rev. J. Thompson £9.10 -	$47.50
" "	"	" Medicines & Papers	7.85	16.85	" "	" Rev. C. B. Venning £13.8.	67.00
" "	Feb.	" Books & Blacks	2.78		" "	" Rev. J. B. Wilson £5.2.	25.50
" "	"	" Mrs Savage $100 Gold	10.25		" "	This Amt. to balance	749.46
" "	"	" Western fire Insurance $80.	8.40	21.43			2677.79
" "	March	" Mrs. Savage $100. Gold	10.00				
" "	"	" Papers	1.16	11.16			
" "	Apr.	" Dft. $325. Gold	32.50				
" "	"	" Mrs. Savage $175. Gold	18.37				
" "	"	" Hymn Books	53	51.40			
" "	May	" Mrs Savage $100 Gold.	14.00				
" "	"	" Ditto $500. Gold	67.50	81.50			
				2677.79			

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4260
FISK UNIV.

S. B. Wilson ac
Sept 1/72

S. B. Nelson
Wilmington Jamaica
Oct 23rd 1872

W. E. W.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4261
FISK UNIV.

Wm E. Whiting Esq
Dear Sir
I have this day drawn on you as treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Alex Berry Esq for the sum of Two Hundred and fifty ($250.00) Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the draft with your accustomed promptness and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Nelson

Dec 1/72

The A.M.A. in ac with the Treasurer of Jamaica Mission

1872		Dr.	1872		Cr.
Dec. 1st	To balance brought forward	$749.44	Dec. 1st	By W. E. W. June	$210.90
" "	" Salaries for yr ending Dec 1st		" "	" W. E. W. July	113.88
" "	" Thompson, Fenning & Wilson $187.50 each	562.50	" "	" W. E. W. Aug	45.25
" "	" Mr John McLean	62.50		This amt. to balance	1284.46
" "	" Miss Lucy Woodcock $75.00				$1654.49
" "	" Jane Kelly $25. S. Phillips $25.	50.00			
" "	" Martin Harris $40. Wm Dennis $25.	65.00			
" "	" Chas. Schaul	25.00			
" "	" Rent of Rooms 3 mo. 20.00	235.00			
" "	" Dif. between Gold & currency				
" "	" Dr. Sewell $75. Gold $10.50				
" "	" Dft. $60. Gold	8.40			
" "	" Dft. $50. Gold	7.00			
" "	" Dft. $100. Gold	13.88			
" "	" Order $45.25 currency.	5.25			
		$1654.49			

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. A-1262
FISK UNIV.

S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
Dec. 5th 1872

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4263
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Colthirst & Co. for the sum of Four Hundred Dollars ($400.) in Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

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accepted 27 Dec

S. H. Wilson

Wingston Jamaica
June 3rd 1873

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4264
FISK UNIV.

F. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn [illegible] you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Collins for the sum of seven [illegible] dollars [illegible] ripleen days [illegible] sight

Wingston Jamaica
June 3rd 1873

Mch 1/73

— The A.M.A. in a/c with the Treas. Fam. Mission —

1873			Dr.
March 1st	To balance brought forward		$1284.46
" "	" Salaries for yr. ending March 1st 1873		
	Thompson Venning & Wilson each $187.50		562.50
	Mr. John McLeod		62.50
	Miss Lucy Woodcock	$75.—	
	Martin Harris, Brainard	40.—	
	Louis Kelly, Manning's Hill	25.—	
	John Phillips, Camberwell	25.—	
	Wm. Davis, Providence	25.—	
	Chesterfield School	25.—	
	Brandon Hill School	25.—	240.—
	Rent of Rooms 3 months (Kingston)		20.—
			$2169.46

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4265
FISK UNIV.

Kingston Jamaica
March 4th 1873

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-4366
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Alexander Berry to the amount of One hundred and ninety two Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight—

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
L. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson

$100

Mch 73 192

$292

S. B. Wilson.

Kingston Jamaica
March 5th 1873

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI4367
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.
Sir

I have this day drawn an order on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of myself for the sum of Six Hundred Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

Brandon Hill
June 14th 1873
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-4368
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whiting

I send you the acct. of yr. just ended and also the acct. for the yr. you say have not which however was duly sent.

I shall draw $750. now which with what I have already drawn will leave our acct. nearly even.

Please send to Dr. W. E. Jewett Adrian Michigan a check for an amount equal to Seventy five Dollars Gold ($75.)

Please fill for me the following order for books

✓ ~~25 Copies Pure Gold~~ }
✓ ~~6 Do. Golden Trio~~ } Biglow & Main
✓ ~~End of the World~~ }
✓ ~~Mystery of Metropolisville~~ } Orange Judd & Co.
~~The complete series Beecher's Sermons.~~ } ~~J. B. Ford & Co.~~
✓ ~~Middlemarch. (Literary Edition)~~ } Harpers & Bro.
✓ ~~2 Copies Randall's Elocution~~

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Please send them to me in the care of Messrs. McCalling & Wood Kingston. Jamaica, with the invoice sent direct to Messrs. McCalling & Wood

I should be glad to receive them by return steamer if possible

Yours very sincerely

D. B. Wilson

June 1/73

The A. M. A. in a/c. with the Treasurer of Jamaica Mission

1873.			Dr.
June 1st	To balance brought forward		$2169.46
" "	" Salaries yr ending June 1st		
" "	" Thompson Venning & Wilson $187.50.		562.50
" "	" Mr John McLeod		62.50
" "	" Miss Lucy Woodcock	$75.—	
" "	" Martin Harris $40. Louis Kelly $25.—	65.—	
" "	" John Phillips $25. Wm Davis $25.	50.—	
" "	" Brandon Hill School $25 Chstd. $25.	50.—	
" "	" Geo. Mudahy. August Town	25.—	265.—
" "	" Rent of Rooms 3 m. Kingston		20.—
" X "	" Collections of Churches $140. Freight $4.52		144.52
	140 Cr a m a Sept 72		
" "	" Dif between Gold & Currency on the following sum		
" "	" Dft $50 Gold $7.38 & $600 Gold Oct. $78.75		86.13
" "	" Books Barnes $87.22		9.84
" "	" Dft $250. Nov. $33.12 & Dft $400 Jan. $49.—		82.12
" "	" Dft $50. March		7.63
" X "	" Papers & Pands Extract		2.50
			$3412.20

1873.		Cr.
June 1st	By W. E. W. Sept. 72	$140.—
" "	" W. E. W. Oct. "	748.65
" "	" W. E. W. Nov. "	370.34
" "	" W. E. W. Dec. "	12.17
" "	" W. E. W. Jan. 73	449.—
" "	" W. E. W. March "	57.63
	This amt. to balance	1634.41
		$3412.20

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4369
FISK UNIV.

S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
June 3rd 1873

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4370
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Colthurst &c for the sum of Seven Hundred and fifty Dollars Gold fifteen days from sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly

J. B. Wilson

Rev. S. B. Wilson.
Brandon Hill Farm.
Sept 14th 1879

Oct 1/

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4271
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro Whipple

I have noticed that for a year or two the general summary in your Annual Report at the head our missions does not fully represent the extent and importance of our work. It is especially deficient in reference to our schools. Thinking this may arise from the fact that our reports came to you separately, and perhaps some of them may be incomplete. I have taken the trouble of collecting the statistics from the brethren here as perfectly as I could and will send them to you arranged together with a few remarks upon things generally in the mission. Running each one to write

of affairs at his own station
6 Stations You will see that we have
9 Schools Six stations. and nine schools
Our total church membership is 498
and those attending our chapels
1350 regularly is more than 1360. While
those attending occasionally would
be considerably more than this.
The whole number attending our schools
is 738 and 500 in constant attendance.
We have 10 teachers in our schools
all of whom have been educated
either among ourselves or at the
best institutions in the island, and
most of them especially trained
for the work of teaching. so that
and the our schools are better in
character than they ever have been
before. Nearly every one of the
teachers conduct services on the Sabbath
and some of them quite acceptably
Without their assistance we should
hardly be able to manage
our 6 churches and 5 Sabbath

Schools with only three ministers

11 It is a most gratifying thought to us that we have the education of over 700 children. I will not undertake to tell what will be the influence in a country so dark as this of the 700 children educated no better than they will be in our common schools. They will form the material for our churches in the future — ~~and how~~ were a material how different ~~our~~ churches will be constituted of this material from what they have been in the past. ~~What trials we have had with~~ The ignorance and supper=stition of our people. ~~This~~ more than anything else has been the great drawbacks to our prosperity But to have our churches built up ~~not only~~ of those who have been somewhat educated ~~but of those~~ + who have been under christian training promises us altogether better things in the future Another thing that is exceedingly

gratifying in our work and that shows the progress we are making is that we do not have to depend near as much upon foreign assistance as we have had to do. When I joined the mission about 14 years ago we then had 23 foreign missionaries with only one or two native assistants while now we have only 7 missionaries and 10 native assistants which with their families makes our force fuller than it was then although we have only 7 foreign missionaries against 23. Our churches number nearly 500 members now against 365 at that time. Our schools number over 700 scholars now against 415 then. Our mission cost the A.M.A annually at that time between $5000. & $6000. while now it is about $3000. and the schools are really better now than they were then ~~not~~ because our teachers are better educated but because they have been especially trained for this work. We have often been discouraged in our work but these facts show that real progress is being made

Brandon Hill.

The principal thing I have to report here at Brandon Hill is the reopening of our chapel. It is not near finished but having no other place in which to worship we are obliged to use it uncomfortable as it is. It had cost us so much especially in labor and we had been without regular service so long that it was a real joy to us to be able to use it again. Some who could not be present on account of sickness the Sabbath we first met in it said they shed tears of joy when they heard the voice of singing again in the place. There are many in the community that do not care for the gospel but I am sure I do not know what some of the poor people whom we have gathered around us would do should they ever be deprived of the religious privileges they now enjoy. We reopened the chapel in January and since then our congregation has been good. Our prayer meetings have generally been well attended and more than usually pleasant. There has been about 100 scholars

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in the Sabbath School and over 200 in the Day School. As we have received such an accession of scholars to the day school I have no doubt that we shall soon have a large number attending the Sabbath School. The contributions of the church this year have been about the same as usual we have had to debate the greater share however to rebuilding the Chapel. Besides this the people here have had a great deal to do in the way of labour. Indeed what they have done in the way ~~of labour~~ is considerably more than what they have done in the way of contributions in money.

I have not much to say in reference to the church at Providence. The church there is quite small ~~[illegible]~~ smaller than any of the in the mission ~~but~~ has sustained a greater loss by death than any other of our churches. It has now only [illegible] male members. ~~It is exceedingly [illegible] for us to~~

get along there for all the work on
the station and all its expenses must
be borne by these alone. and if they
did not show more than a usual
amount of self denial and a more
than usual interest in the affairs
of the church we could not get along
at all. I cannot tell why it is that the
church there is not more prosperous
for there is not one of our churches in
which there is more earnest piety and
in which there appears so much love for
Christ and so much love for souls
as in the church at Providence
The lives of the members are very exemplary
too. I know that the community around
is very bad and that there are very
many bad influences at work, that
makes it very hard to bring [illegible]
ungodly under good influ[illegible]
still we cannot but believe
the time will come when they
must be affected by the religious
influences in their midst. [illegible]
cannot believe that our
labors and prayers will be [illegible]

I have no doubt that if I could devote more of my time and labor there it would be better for the church but as this station is in every respect the most important I have to devote altogether the greater share of my labor here. There is a good teacher there who has been long in the mission and who is a good christian quite intelligent too. who preaches when I am not there and who seems to please the church very well His assistance in the church is very valuable

The congregation and Sabbath school are never very large at Providence but they have been as large as usual this year.

On the whole I have never felt that our mission was accomplishing more for Christ than now or that God was blessing us more abundantly. In reviewing the year we feel that we have great reason for gratitude & thanksgiving Very sincerely yours

L. A. Wilson

Sept 1/73

The A. M. A. in a/c. with the Treas. of Sam. Mission

1873			Dr.
Sept. 1st	To balance brought forward		$1634.41
" "	" Salaries yr. ending Sept. 1st		
" "	" Thompson Venning Wilson		562.50
" "	" Mr. John McLeod		62.50
" "	" Teachers as per last yr.		265.00
" "	" Rent of Rooms Kingston 3 m.		20.00
" "	" Dif between Gold & Curry.		
" "	" Dft $600. Gold Apr	$114.00	
" "	" Dfts $100 & $192. Gold Apr	54.75	
" "	" Books & Papers L.A.W. Apr.	6.23	
" "	" Books S.B.W. Apr.	2.27	
" "	" Freight	1.00	
" "	" Dr. Jewett $75. Gold	11.72	
" "	" Thornburn	6.25	
" "	" Dft $750 Gold July	115.31	311.53
			$2855.94

1873		Cr.
Sept. 1st	By W. E. W. Apr. 1873.	$1127.50
" "	" W. E. W. June.	132.97
" "	" W. E. W. July	865.31
" "	This amt. to balance	730.16
		$2855.94

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4273
FISK UNIV.

Kingston Jamaica
September 9th 1873
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
FISK UNIV.
FI 4274

W. E. Whiting Esq
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Cathcart Esq. for the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars. Gold

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4275
FISK UNIV.

Brainerd Richmond Post Office
Jamaica Sep 12. 1873

John Thompson
Brainerd Jamaica
9/12/73

The Rev George Whipple Sec A. M. A.

My Dear Brother

I was so seriously ill all last month that I could not write to you, as usual. having suffered from an attack of Erysipelas in the head. but I gave Bro Wilson the statistics of the three churches and four schools under my care, to be forwarded to you. Since then we have received eight new members into the church at Brainerd, by profession, four males & four females, should this reach you in time and you have no objection, I should like to have them added to the membership now as they would have been received in the month of July but for my affliction.

I am glad to be able to say that our Sabbath day services are good, the Sal School is well sustained. the district prayer meetings are well attended, and that five persons have applied for ch fellowship with us during this week. — Of those who died during the year, it was my privilege to stand by the dying bed of two of them, to hear their last word, and to witness their last struggle with the conquered enemy. — Of course we have

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our sorrows and disappointments in common with all the Lord's people but we enjoy many favours too and, I am sure ~~of it~~, that a good work is being carried on among ~~st~~ us.

The daysschool under Mr Martin Harris gained 43 marks and passed second class under Govt inspection.

The new daysschool at August Town, under Mr George Nuttaby, gained 28 marks and passed third class, also under Govt inspection.

Of this church at Mannings Hill I am glad to be able to speak hopefully. The new chapel is now too small for us, the Sab school alone fills it, and we cannot comfortably accommodate all who come, we must enlarge ere long. The bible class is unusually good, old and young taking deep interest in it, altho some of the former cannot read yet they derive much good and gain a store of scripture knowledge which is very comforting to us all. I conducted this class three Sabbaths ago when the good old Deacon "Edward Small" wept for joy as he listened to his children and grandchildren repeating verses from memory and tracing the connection between the old and new testaments. This aged brother was once a slave

A slave, when he suffered much in the cause of truth and righteousness. Edwd. Small is now old but active in his Masters cause, which he loves. The day school under John Louis Kelley is good, having gained 39 Marks and passed third class under Govt. inspection.

~~At~~ Eliot. There are good signs of improvement, the new chapel fills ~~well which~~ is too small for the growing congregation. ~~now meeting there. I ought in faithfulness to say that~~ There ~~was~~ a root of bitterness in the little Ch which, ~~of course, did~~ to did trouble us, more or less harm ~~but this~~ has, I hope, been removed ~~and~~ that we may now enjoy prosperity in this little church. The Sabbath School is very good, as it has been for some years, and is, I hope and believe, the ground of hope for the growth of the Ch.

Mr John McLeod labours there mainly, giving a Sabbath to Brainard & to Richmond occasionally.

The day school under Mr Larchin Bishop gained 25 Marks and was placed on the list of Govt. schools as 'Exceptional'. The Govt. Inspector gave us a favourable

Favourable report both of School and Teacher in which he said that he had "no doubt but that the school would be brought up to a good third class school next year."

Now Dear Brother permit me to say a word or two about myself.

I have spent more than thirty years in this land, have had a share of troubles, I have enjoyed many mercies, and it has always been my desire to do good in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. This is my desire now, and I would not quit the field for a single day, now legally; but my health begins to fail and I have been advised to take a trip off the Island which I shall be glad to do in the spring of next year, if spared so long.

Do you think the A. M. A. will grant me three or four months leave of absence and at the same time afford me some little or less pecuniary aid? I have a relative, and two or three friends in America, who have written to invite me to their respective homes.

May I rely on your kind advice and aid in this matter?

I am My Dear Brother
Yours sincerely
Jas Thompson

Jamaica Mission

W. E. B. DU BOIS ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4276
FISK UNIV.

Stations — Out-stations & Schools

— Missionaries —

— Brainerd — Rev. John Thompson Mrs. Thompson
Martin Harris. teacher

— Eliot — Under the charge of Mr. Thompson
Mr. John McLeod assistant
Lorchin Bishop teacher

— Manning's Hill — Under the charge of Mr. Thompson
John Louis Kelly teacher

— August-Town — School under care of Mr. Thompson
George Mudahy. teacher

— Chesterfield — Rev. C. B. Venning Mrs. Venning
Ewen N. McLaughlin teacher

— Camberwell — School under care of Mr. Venning
John Phillips teacher

— Brandon Hill — Rev. S. B. Wilson Mrs. Wilson
Wm McLaren & Danl. McLaren teachers

— Providence — Under the charge of Mr Wilson
Wm Davis teacher

— Richmond — Miss Lucy A. Woodcock teacher

S. B. Wilson.
Jamaica Mission —
Report.
1/13

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4277
FISK UNIV.

Stations & Schools	Members: Males	Members: Females	Members: Total	Additions: Baptism	Additions: Letter & Profession	Additions: Total	Removals: Dismissed	Removals: Excommunicated	Removals: Death	Removals: Total	No. in Communion	No. in Sabbath School	Contributions	Whole number in Day School	Average Daily
Brainerd	~~54~~ 58	~~116~~ 120	~~170~~ 178	8	3	~~11~~ 14	3	"	3	6	400	120	$75.00	85	51
Manning's Hill	21	40	61	4	"	4	5	"	3	8	250	90	55.00	72	53
August Farm	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	" "	62	41
Eliot	20	27	47	"	2	2	1	2	2	5	160	75	" "	47	31
Chesterfield	"	"	95	"	1	1	5	3	1	9	250	104	344.00	67	44
Camberwell	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	" "	82	52
Brandan Hill	33	43	76	"	"	"	"	2	1	3	200	100	150.00	210	153
Providence	16	25	41	"	2	2	2	3	4	9	100	50	35.00	33	25
Richmond	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	" "	80	53
Total			490	12	8	20	16	10	14	40	1360	539		738	503

S. B. Wilson.
Jamaica Mission,
Stations and Schools.

Rec'd Dec 1 1873

Kingston. Oct. 1873
Rev. C. B. Denning
rec Nov 11/73

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-0278
FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo. Whipple

My dear Brother

You will doubtless be surprised at seeing my hand-writing again after having heard of my late severe & protracted ill-ness & the very low & precarious state in which I lay for some weeks. It has pleased our heaven-ly Father however to raise me up again contrary to the expec-tations of all my friends. Al-though from being restored to my wonted health yet I was able a short time since to visit Chesterfield again after an ab-sence of nearly a year. I was

brought to Kingston in Sep-
-tember last year in a very weak
condition & during my stay here
I rallied a little so as to be able
to walk about the house & drive out
in a buggy but just as I had planned
to return to the Mountains I was again
taken down & was confined to my
bed for about four months during
which time I became so emaciated
that it seemed impossible that
I could ever rally But as the un-
-favorable symptoms gradually a-
-bated I began very slowly to gath-
-er strength By the 1st August I
had so far recovered that I was
able to travel in an easy carriage
up to within three miles of Chester-
-field & thence to ride on horseback
up the hill to my mountain home
On the same day there was a gath-
-ering of the Day School Children and fifty one number
several of their Parents met to

celebrate the day in a kind of school treat. Many of the scholars recited pieces & all joined in many merry & sweet songs. Before they closed I was helped down to the chapel when I spoke a few words to young & old thankful to my heavenly Father for the opportunity which I had expected never to have again. The school has kept up better than I could have expected during my long absence especially considering several unfavorable circumstances which I feared would affect the attendance materially. During the fall & last year the hooping cough was very prevalent among the children, & from the commencement of the present year the small-pox has been epidemic through out the district. Worse than all a most grievous fact came to light in December last which threatened to break up our school operations

altogether for a time at least.

The young man whom I left in charge of the school when I left for Kingston last year fell into most grievous sin. His previous exemplary conduct as a Xtian & his devotedness to the work of sch. teaching had won the confidence of all who knew him. His fall therefore greatly shocked the whole community.

Of course he had to be set aside at once & so far as I could see the school must be closed for an indefinite time, for teachers of the right kind are scarce. But the good Lord found me for us - a young man who had been trained in one of the Govt. Training Colleges & who had just graduated with a diploma as a 1st Class Teacher. But best of all he came to me with the recommendation of being a true Xtian. This character as well as his reputed teaching qualifications, he has up to the present time I am glad to say well sustained. He was sent to us too just at

the needful time & it has been no little comfort to me while lying on my bed a helpless sufferer to know that God had provided one so well qualified to teach & train their children & not only so but one gifted also to fill my place in the public ministrations of the Sabbath & in the week day gatherings of the brethren of the Church & others. I hear nothing but expressions of how much they like his teaching. Thus my heavenly Father seeing my feebleness has provided me a good assistant. Although he did not seek it yet I feel myself responsible for Mr McLaughlan's services which he gives in addition to his labors in the school.

As I have said I returned to Chesterfield on the 1st August. For a week or two after I went up the weather was tolerably fine but soon heavy rains commenced & the climate became so damp & bleak that I was obliged

to shut myself in my room a
good part of the time still I was
permitted & strengthened to preach
on two Sabbaths out of the five I was
there & to attend all but one of the weekly
meetings of the Church held every Wed
-nesday morning. This gave me the
opportunity of giving them counsel
in many things which my long absence
had made them feel the need of & of
strengthening & comforting many who
seemed more than ever susceptible
of good impressions. I think I never
knew the people so kind & consider
-ate towards me as on this my last
visit to them. Some of them were be
-coming cast down & dispirited expecting
never to see me in their midst again &
now when in the kind Providence of God
I was permitted to visit them & speak
the good word to them they seemed
cheered & began to encourage one an
-other to lay hold afresh with heart &
hand in every good work. They have
had a heavy work on their hands

for some months digging down the top of a high ridge just adjoining the Station which we have lately secured for a site for a new Chapel.

They have a tardy way of doing such things - coming out occasionally in a company once a week or once in two or three weeks as it suits them. In this many of them were getting weary - in part probably from the slowness with which they carried it on. They had become negligent also in assembling themselves together at their weekly prayer-meetings - for so it is that our dear people on being deprived of their earthly Guide & head, for a time, soon begin to get slack in such duties.

This is not a good symptom of course, shewing that they do not realize their relation to the great Head of the Church as they should & what is also painfully manifest under these circumstances, their want of confidence in one another. Hence the old proverb

"union is strength" is seldom re-
-alized by them for any length
of time. But while I write
I call to mind that this defect
in their spiritual condition is not
peculiar to Jamaica Churches. There
are not a few in countries far more
intelligent than this which remain
in a state of pupilage for years.
As one evidence of it many a
Church both in England & the
United States will neglect par-
-taking of the Lord's Supper for
months if during that time they
can set no ordained Minister to
dispense it & thus make void the
command of the Saviour "This do &c"
by their tradition.

But to return to our people I have
endeavored in my ministry by
teaching & otherwise to correct in
them this undue dependence on the
under Shepherd striving as much
as in me lay to have them realize
their relation to the great Shepherd

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
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& Bishop of their souls that they might grow up into Him in all things. My labors in this direction have not been I hope altogether in vain. While with the evidences continually before me of how far they come short of an intelligent & close union with Christ & how feebly they are knit together in Him I cannot regard the prospect of the Church at Chesterfield being left to themselves with any thing but anxiety & fear. But it is not wise for me I know to distress myself at all in this matter. Let me rather commit the future to the great Head of the church knowing that He cares for His people infinitely more than I can. It frequently occurs to me that perhaps God's late dealings with me are among the things which He is using to bring them to a more perfect reliance on Himself & to train them now to be subject one to another & how to carry on His work if at any time it be His will to deprive of an earthly guide & head.

But I must close. I have taken several days to write this doing a little at a time. I hope not long hence to be able to write you again if God will. The statistics of Chesterfield Church which I forwarded to you through Bro. Wilson do not show as you may have noticed a very encouraging state of things. In my next letter I hope to be able to give a more full & particular account of both good & evil among us. I remained at Chesterfield about five weeks when the rains were becoming so frequent & heavy that it seemed best for me to return to Kingston. I wished very much if it would have been safe for me to remain longer. But during the rainy times it is not of much use for me to be there as much as the people wished me to stay among them. yet knowing how the cold & damp would be

likely to affect me they desired that I should leave the mountains especially before the heavy October seasons set in. And surely it was a kind Providence that guided me in coming away for ever since I came here the rains in the mountain regions have been even more constant & heavy than usual at this time of the year.

You will be glad I know when I tell you that God was with me in my late illness sanctifying my bodily sufferings to the good of my soul. Never before have I had such an overwhelming sense of my sinfulness in His sight & blessed be His name, never before have I had such a sense of His presence comforting me with His good & gracious promises & now as I am partially restored my earnest prayer is that the end of all His dealings

with me may be fulfilled in me. & if it please Him that I should still recover strength & make another visit to our mountain home & the sphere of my labors may the healing power of the love of Christ so comfort & strengthen my heart that I may be used of Him to comfort & strengthen & establish His people in every good thing.

And may the Good Lord comfort & sustain you dear Brother in the prosecution of your very responsible & arduous labors & cause you to see His good pleasure resting on you & all associated with you & in the work of your hands

Yours by your Brother

O. B. Denning

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4288
FISK UNIV.

P.S. Please send us the Annual Report of the Society as soon after its publication as you can.

O. B. D.

Dec 1/73

The A. M. A. in a/c with the Treas. of Sam. Mission

1873.		Dr	Cr.
Dec 1st	To Balance brought forward		$730.16
"	" Salaries yr. ending Dec. 1st 1873		
"	" Thompson Venning & Wilson $1873		562.50
"	" Teachers as per last yr.		265.00
"	" Mr. John McLeod		62.50
"	" Rent of Room Kingston S.M.		20.00
			$1640.16
	Credit		
	Contributions of churches		100.00
	Balance		$1540.16

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4281 ... UNIV.

Brandon Hill Sam
Dec. 1st 1873

Dear Bro. Whiting

Above is the a/c for Sam. Mission for the yr. ending Dec. 1st. I have received from you no memoranda of payments made in New York for the yr.

S. B. Wilson
Kingston Jamaica
December 1st 1873

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4282
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Colthurst & Co. to the amount of Six Hundred Dollars in Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

Rev. S. B. Witton.
Dec 9/73
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Brandon Hill
Dec 9th 1873
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-1428
FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo. Whipple
56 Reade Street
New York

My dear Brother

Yours of Oct 7th is just at hand. I ought to have received it a month earlier. It will be impossible for the brethren to meet so that I can send you an official reply before the next steamer. As an individual member of the Mission I would say that I have felt that the time could not be far distant when the A. M. A. must close its operations here but I had looked for a more gradual winding up of our work than I fear will be satisfactory to the friends and supporters of our Society. Indeed we have been gradually winding up for several years. We have

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tried to keep up our churches and schools in as full vigour as possible but at the same time we have tried to be as little burdensome to the society as we could. We have supplied native teachers for our schools and when any of our missionaries have left we have tried to supply their places without asking for more to be sent out notwithstanding we have felt our forces to be much too small for our work.

If compelled to do so we can still greatly reduce the expense of our mission, but I do most earnestly desire that the A.M.A. will not drop the work here altogether. I cannot doubt your willingness to provide remuneratively for your missionaries but my greatest anxiety is for our churches. I am certain that no British Society will adopt them for the British societies are as anxious to be relieved of aiding in the missionary work here as the A.M.A. and in fact are gradually

withdrawing their aid. I am equally certain that our churches cannot support their own missionaries. The most they can do is to support their teachers with the aid of the government school funds and keep their chapels in repair.

I should be very thankful if the A. M. A. could only keep two or three ministers here, just enough to oversee the churches, superintend the schools and keep things running right generally. I cannot bear to see our churches broken up and the members scattered as I know will be the case if we are entirely without your aid.

We cannot afford to have the labor and money we have already devoted to the churches here so much lost. Besides the people have trusted in us very much and they cannot feel it very keenly if we were to leave them unaided for

The brethren will meet soon and consider the plans suggested in your letter and I will communicate our united wishes by the next mail.

Will you please have the enclosed note to Mr. Whitney. Yours very truly A. B. Wilson

Rev. Jno Thompson

Dec 24/70

Richmond Post Office
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The Rev
George Whipple Sec A.M.A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4285
FISK UNIV.

My Dear Brother

The Mail for New York will close today and I write a line to inform you of the death of our dear Brother Wolcott which took place at Richmond on the 15th inst. It falls to my lot to comfort the widow and the few people at Richmond who mourne their loss, this I am glad to do.

We have written to his son Mr Henry Wolcott, and shall be glad to hear from him as soon as possable. Will you be

Be so good as to say to Mr Whiting that I have written him by this mail touching a piece of land at Port Antonio which he desired Mr Woolcott to see about

Your letter of the 9th October came to hand in due time, for which I am very thankful. I expect to see Brother Wilson to-day and will write you fully by next mail.

I am glad and thankful that my health is again good and that I am able to take my full share of mission work as heretofore.

I am glad too that we enjoy much prosperity in the churches

and

and Schools under my care, I will give the particulars in my next.

Now that my health is again good and my work becoming more and more important, I regret that I made application for leave of absence, altho I should like to know that I could take a chance in the event of another attack of sickness, however, I am in the Lord's hands and I know he will take care of me.

I will, my Dear Brother, heartily unite with you in prayer that "God will guide us all, so that we shall do his will in whatever we do."

I am my Dear Brother
Yours very truly
Geo Thompson

S. B. Wilson
Kingston Jam.
Dec. 26th 1873

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4286
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Duncan McDougall & Co. for the amount of Two Hundred dollars Gold fifteen days after sight

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours Truly
S. B. Wilson

Brandon Hill Jam.
Jan 5th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. EI-4287
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whipple

The Brethren of the mission met in Kingston Dec. 27th to consider your letter of Oct 7th in reference to the proposed relinquishment of our mission by the A. M. A.

In regard to a transfer of our churches to a British Missionary Society we would say that a few years ago at the request of the A.M.A. we canvassed the whole subject thoroughly and we found it quite impracticable then and there are reasons why it would be more so now. It would be against the policy of any British Society

having missionaries here to take up any new work involving any new outlay of money. Have were ready to take up our work then and they would be more willing now for they [illegible] drawing their aid from their [illegible] missions as fast as they can without serious injury to their churches. Besides our churches could not well affiliate with any of the churches around us. We understand once to transfer one of our churches to the Wesleyans and it resulted essentially in its ruin.

In regard to our churches supporting their own missionaries we would say that they are quite unable to do it. The most they can do would be to support their teachers above what they are already doing. Indeed this would

be quite an advance upon what they have been doing

Feeling that the work must go down here altogether without the help of the A. M. A. and wishing to relieve you as much as we can we will only ask the support of two or three missionaries here - just enough to superintend the churches and schools. administer the church ordinances and keep things running right generally in the mission and at the end of the present quarter we will reduce the amount A. M. A. of the support of our teachers and at the end of the year of the support of our native preachers. by putting their support upon our churches.

We have many misgivings in attempting to bear so much greater burdens than we have ever borne before and we

Rev. S. B. Wilson.

Jan 5/76

fear it may result in the giving up of some of our schools and to the serious detriment of some of our weaker churches and we would not consent to it at all if there was any other society that would take up the work and give it such help as it needs

We have had our foreign teacher (Miss Woodcock.) and we do nothing affecting her relations with us. preferring rather to leave that matter with you and herself only we most earnestly desire to retain her services as long as you and she can afford to spare them

You may be sure we will do all we can in every way to retain you, and we shall still trust that you will do what shall be necessary for us until our churches are able to do more

Yours very truly

S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-11288
FISK UNIV.

Richmond Post Office
Jamaica, W.I.
Feb 17. 1874

Rev Geo Whipple Sec A. M. A.

My Dear Brother

Your letter of the 23rd ultimo reached this post office on the 9th instant, for which I thank you.

I regret that my letter informing you of Bro Wolcott's death did not reach you in due time I cannot account for the delay, but I wrote on the same day and posted it myself together with a letter to Mr Whiting which reached him in due time.

Our Bro Wolcott died on the 15th of December last after three or four months of severe suffering, from what we supposed to be, a cold and sore

throat

Throat, but it was really a case of Inflamation of the Larynx. Our Brother sought Medical advice when it was too late

We should like to see some account of his death in the "Missionary", Mr Henry Wolcott is in possession of the main particulars of his Father's illness and death, he will doubtless confer with you on the subject.

I was often with our departed brother during his illness, particularly during the few days he was confined to his room, and I am glad and thankful to know that he was firmly established on "The Rock". "A sinner saved by grace", were his last words spoken to me, very solemnly.

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A short time before he died.

Those words seem to sound in my ear now, as coming from "The Border Land".

Mrs Wolcott desires me to thank you for your sympathy with her in her affliction.

It is, of course, desirable that her son should return home as soon as he conveniently can, without interfering with his engagements at Chattanooga. It is his Mother's wish, and my advice, that he ought complete his work there before he comes.

Please hand inclosed note to Mr Whiting.

Will you kindly send me, by post, the Annual report of the A.M.A. for 1873?

I am glad and thankful to be able to say that

Mr

Rev. John Thompson
Richmond, Jamaica.
2/7/74

We enjoy unusual prosperity in every department of the Mission field in which I am engaged. I will (D.V.) forward particulars by an early Mail, when I shall give you a Quarterly report as you kindly suggested a short time ago.

Br Deming is very much better than he has been for a long time.

Br Wilson is not at all well.

Richmond is distant about five miles from Brainerd and I drop in now and again just to comfort the Widow's heart.

I am My Dear Brother
yours very truly
Rev. Jno Thompson

The A. M. A. in a/c with the Treas. of Fa. Mission

1874		Dr.
March 1st	To Balance brought forward	$1540.16
" "	" Salaries yr. ending March 1st	
" "	" Thompson Venning & Wife	562.60
" "	" Mr. John McLean	62.50
" "	" Teachers as per last yr.	265.00
"	" Rent of Room Kingston	20.00
	Balance	$2450.16

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-4289
FISK UNIV.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4290
FISK UNIV.

Report of the August Town Day & Sunday School, from March 2nd 1874 to 23 April

No of Pupils on Books		102
" " Male pupils "	47	
" " Female " "	55.	
Average Attendance		61
" " of Boys	31	
" " " Girls	30	
Amt. of Fees. Recd	£1.. 14.. 4½.	

The Sunday School here is very prosperous. The attendance is from 80 to 100. each Lord's day. The accommodation is rather Small. both for day & Sunday School.

Teacher

Jas D Rennie

Mrs Rennalls a Member of the Church at Brainerd, conducts the sewing class of this school — Jno Thompson

J. D. Reppie -
August Town -
Jam. Miss.
4/28/74

The Report of
Schools at
August Town
Jamaica

Jas. D. Rennie
Teacher.

S. B. Wilson
Kingston Jamaica
March 3rd 1874

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W. E. Whiting Esq
56 Reade Street
New York

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. FL-4291
FISK UNIV.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Calthurst &c for the sum of seven hundred and seventy-five dollars Gold fifteen days from sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

rec'd 4/4/74
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G.W.

Brandon Hill Jamaica
March 24th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4292
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whipple

I was very glad to get your letter dated at Talladega. It was very kind and has done me much good. Our field is a hard field and though perhaps we cannot show so much as the results of our labor as is shown in the Southern field in a much shorter space of time than we have been at work here yet we feel that this is a part of the Master's work and though we look for his approval above everything else and are willing to abide by

our work as long as he requires it. yet amid our trials and discouragements it is exceedingly gratifying to know that you and the committee also still feel an "earnest interest" in us and in our work

I rejoice too in the good things you have written from the South. A great work is being done there and I rejoice that our Society for which I have always had so strong an attachment is the foremost in doing that work. I regard the work you are doing there as the greatest that is being done anywhere in the world and could I have my choice I would want to

work there. but I cannot leave the work here till Christ calls me away. I came here fourteen years ago with the intention not to leave until God called me away and I can thankfully to say amid many trials and discouragements I have kept to my intention.

I regret to say that I have recently been quite unwell with another severe hemorrhage from my lungs and I have been so weak and unwell since and I am so certain that I shall continue to run down here that I deem it imperative that I should go home this spring for a few months recruiting. But dear brother

Rev. S. B. Wilson
Brandon Hill
3/24/74 Jamaica, W. I.

In all my trials and sufferings Christ has been very near. I am thankful to say as well as I have been. I have not been kept from preaching a single Sabbath.

I shall expect to see you in a few weeks and we will be better able to consider together about the interests of the mission when we are able to do by writing. I shall leave as soon as I think it will be safe for me to go North. I would leave at once but that I fear the cold would be too trying for my lungs.

With my kindest Christian regards I remain.

Yours very sincerely
S. B. Wilson

Recd Apr 6/74

S. B. Wilson

Brandon Hill
March 25th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4293
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whiting

I send with this my acct. for the quarter ending March 1st. I have received no memoranda of payments made for me in New York and consequently I have nothing to enter to your credit. With my draft for the past two quarters which I have not yet heard from I think the acct. will be about even.

I should have sent my acct. earlier only that I have been quite unwell

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

Miss L. A. Woodcock

3/25/74

Richmond P.O. St Marys.
Jamaica W. Indies
March 28/74

Rev. Geo. Whipple Cor Sec'ty of A.M.A.
39. Reade Street N.Y.

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4294
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read ap 6/74 G.W.

I do not write to you as the brethren of the Mission I suppose keep you posted up in the doing of the Mission I am here, still teaching, and my school is doing very well, I have 55 day scholars. I have the entire charge of it, and in getting the children in school. Most of the parents are connected with other religious societies.

There is but two families that send in children that are attending our Mission churches, I have many obstacles to encounter in such a school as there is a strong society feeling that the children must attend school, where the parents attend church which are mostly Methodist. a few attend the Church as it is called which is the English Established church

The present form of the government school has a strong tendency to do away with this church sectarian feeling. In reference to the future of the Mission it is not to prosperous, especially the churches and church properties.

The schools are all prosperous much more so than formaly. In fact the schools are the life of the Mission. With the present forces in the Ministerial body are feeble. In this respect, the churches can not be cared for as they should. One man cannot do all the work and be absent from them part of the time. I wish it was so that some one from the B.M.C. could come and see thing for themselves. I know that some of the churches would prefer such a thing.

I remain Yours

L. A. Woodcock

Richmond P.O.
Jamaica
March 27. 1874

Rec'd 4/4

A.M.A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4295
FISK UNIV.

The Rev
George Whipple Sec A.M.A.

My Dear Brother

Your letter of the 22nd February, addressed to Bro Wilson or myself, reached this P.O. on the 4th instant. I heartily thank you for this letter, and for the assurances you have given us with respect to the Jamaica Mission. I had become seriously anxious as to the future of this Mission, fearing we might be suddenly left without pecuniary aid, and without any fixed plans for the future, the anxiety may have been needless, but I could not prevent the feeling. Situated as I am, with the prospect of being left alone in the field, your letter therefore afforded me great relief, and comfort of mind.

you

you know that I have charge of three churches and four Schools, in all of which I am glad and thankful to be able to report unusual prosperity, such as we have not enjoyed heretofore. I can report improvements in a pecuniary point of view also, the contributions & missionary collections are better, the same may be said of the school fees also. And I do hope that our people will do much to help themselves, but the work must be done gradually.

Three of my Teachers are young men, and can, I doubt not, live comfortably on their income from the School fees & Govt Aid but Brother Martin Harris is not a young man, and he has been with us many years labouring as Teacher and

assistant

assistant Missionary, his family is now large, mostly daughters and I am seriously afraid that the sudden withdrawing of his salary may interfere with his usefulness. Brother Harris has brought up his dayschool to second class, (Govt inspection) he is the superintendent of the Sab school which now numbers 130, teachers & children all told. he preaches twice a month at Beaineard, and also visit the sick and attends to any call of Mission work in my absence.

Then there is Mr John McLeod my assistant Missionary who is a carpenter by trade and a christian of long standing, he is also an acceptable preacher. such a man is a great help to a Missionary whose time ought to

to be devoted to real Mission work, as I desire that my time sh be. Mr McLeod has undertaken the management of all carpenters work in connection with my Mission work amongst the three churches. I quite agree that the churches & schools should all become self sup-porting, this would be right and just but the change should be brought about gradually, I think.

Bro Harris' salary was discontinued from the 1st of this month; now, Dear Brother, taking all things into consid-eration, may we not reconsid-er the step taken with respect to Bro Harris? And may I ask that the A. M. A. would allow half the amount of his salary; say £16 pr annum: but if this cannot be allowed, may I not collect from the churches and pay the amount

Rev. John Thompson,
Richmond P.O.
Jamaica W.I.
3/27/74
rec'd. 4/4/74 – G.M.

Amount to him which you would acknowledge as missionary collections in your report?

Mr McLeod's salary is to be discontinued at the end of the current year, as I understand it. Might we not reconsider this question also? would the A.M.A. allow just half his Salary after this year, say £25 pr annum?

Such arrangements would relieve me of much anxiety and place me in a position to work on in joyful hope which I fear I could not do alone. I know that the Lord will provide, but we, as labourers in ~~this~~ vingard, have our work to do also.

My health is now good and I have no need of change, but I should like to run over and see you.

Many thanks for your account

A.M.A. Archives
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account of the Lords' work in the South, on reading your letter I began to feel a wish to labour there, but my work is here.

Mr Henry Wolcott has written today that he will return to Jamaica about the middle of May, I am glad of it, as his mother feels the need of his presence at Richmond, after all. I hope he will not fail to come (D.V.)

Will you kindly write me touching the suggestion I have ~~often~~ made above.

I know that your time is fully occupied, but think of me, and favour me with often lines to comfort me in my work of faith and labour of love. I am my Dear Brother

yours very truly

Jno Thompson

Report of the day school at Eliot from January to 31 March 1874.

No of pupils on books

Boys 24
Girls 30
Total 54

Average attendance

Boys 13
Girls 22
Total 35

Fees collected £2.16.7½

The sewing class for girls is conducted by Teacher's wife.

This school was opened in August 1872, was Inspected about ten months afterwards and obtained Govt aid.

Mr Bishop has conducted this school on the principle of "self help" and has given good evidence of what may be done where the heart is right.

Mr Bishop is the superintendant of the Sabboth School also, which is an institution of much promise.

But I regret to say, that I fear both Schools may be seriously interfered with by a worldly minded Trustee, who happens to be the Senior Deacon of the Church.

Mr Thompson

A. M. A. ARCH... NO. FI-4297 FISK UNIV.

The Report of the
Schools at
Eliot
Jamaica

Mr. Bishop.
Teacher.

Brainerd School report for the last quarter from the 1st. Janry. to 31st. March 1874.

No. of Male pupils on Books	73.
" " female " "	49.
Total	122
Average attendance of boys	41.
" " " " girls	28.
Total	69.

Amt. of school fees paid in £4 " 13 " 4½ —

A. H. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4298

I feel it a blessing conferred on me to be engaged in such a noble, and heavenly work; notwithstanding the difficulties, hardships, and other disappointments I have to encounter from time to time. By the grace of God, I am resolved to hold on as long as I may live, as a soldier in the field, under the banner of Christ!

The Sabbath school has increased rapidly, and is still increasing. The attendance is ± 150, each Lords day. I hope to see 200 scholars in the Brainerd Sabb. School ere long.

M. E. Harris.

14th April 1874

Mrs Harris, Teacher's wife, conducts the Sewing class of this school. Jas Thompson

The Report of
School at
Brainerd
Jamaica

M. E. Harris
teacher.

S. B. Min
May 4/74

Kingston Jamaica
May 4th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO FI-4299
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson Calthrist & Co for the sum of Three Hundred and fifty dollars Gold

Please honor the above with your accustomed punctuality and oblige

Yours truly
A. B. Wilson

Eliot Station. St Mary

May 4th 1874

Eliot Daryschool, reopened with five little girls August 26th 1872. The raising of a school in this place has been a work of no small difficulty. There has been very many things to discourage the work; nevertheless, perseverance has carried the day. Now, it is a decided success. A school is here. It was inspected July 8th 1873. On that occasion the number ~~present~~ on Roll was 47

Present on the day of Inspection —

Boys 20
Girls 24 } 44

Number on book March 31st 1874 - 61

Boys 24
Girls 37

Average attendance for the quarter ending March 31st

Boys 13
Girls 22 } 35

Fees collected from August 26, 1872. to July 8th 1873 £3 . 4 . 0

" " 4 . 12 . 0

From July 8th to Dec. 1873 10 . 13 . 0

Government Grant 1 . 0 . 0

From Rev. C. C. Starbuck 1 . 0 . 0

From Rev John Thompson (this was from Mr Starbuck also for Thompson) 2 . 16 . 7½

Quarter ending March 31st 1874 (Fees)

Total. £23 . 5 . 7½

L. D. Bishop

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4800 [redacted] FISK UNIV.

The Sabbath School is showing signs of increase. The day school has given to it over twenty pupils. Scripture truths are brought out and presented to these young minds every Sabbath. May the Lord bless the humble efforts of his poor untaught ones who are endeavoring to glorify his great name according to the light they possess. The teachers are at their places every Sabbath. They delight in the work.

Number of Teachers
Males 5.
Females 3.
Total 8.

No of pupils on book
Males 40.
Females 50.
Total 90.

L D Bishop

L. I. Bishop,
+ others
Eliot Station,
St. Mary -
Jam. Mfg.
5/4/74

School Inspector's Office
Kingston. May 7th 1874.

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4801
FISK UNIV.

Rev John Thompson

Dear Brother

As I have been pretty well acquainted with the operations of the American Mission in Jamaica from the very first, and have been intimately acquainted with nearly all your missionaries, I most readily comply with your request to state my impressions — such as they are — of what has been done by the Mission for the people of Jamaica, with a few remarks on the present state of the mission as far as I am acquainted with it, and more particularly the condition of your schools during the last year or two. Indeed I feel it my duty to furnish you with some statement just now, as I learn with regret that the Mission is being gradually reduced, and that the Society contemplates the abandonment of all its operations out here at no very distant period.

In the first place I think no one would doubt for a moment but that very great good has been done by your Mission in the parishes of St Andrew and St Mary ~~during the last thirty five years~~. The people have had the plain simple Gospel proclaimed to them in language they could understand, resulting in, I believe the conversion of many souls to Christ; while

John Sawyer
School Inspector
Kingston, Jam.
5/7/74

much has been done by your practical men to enlighten and elevate the people to a higher platform of civilization.

It would however be impossible for me in a short letter to describe a tithe of what has been done. But I would mention one or two special features that have characterized your mission work out here.

First. Providence so ordered it that your stations should be located in the midst of some of the most benighted and degraded people in the island, a people doubly debased, so to speak, under the abominable influence of unprincipled native teachers - "blind leaders of the blind" - who held the people in the chains of heathenish superstition and vice, to the utter exclusion of all the purifying principles of Christianity.

Your missionaries have had to contend with these wretched false teachers more than any others in the Island; and during all these years they have bravely fought the battle with the sword of truth in hand; and have rescued scores if not hundreds from the demoralizing influence of these wolves in sheep's clothing. This has (ordered no doubt by Providence) been a special work of your mission more than of any other denomination; and I feel certain that the good results are greater than we can see or estimate at present. Brother Newman's labours at Chesterfield have been notably opposed ~~by these emissaries of Satan~~. It has been a sort of life struggle with him for the last 17 or 18 years; but he has nobly held his ground, and faithfully applied the word of God to the hearts and consciences of the people. And here I would remark in passing, that a more devoted or faithful missionary I have never known, nor

even read of, than Brother Benning; while I am very sorry to find that his delicate state of health prevents him at present from engaging in the active duties of the mission work (though his good influence is still strongly felt) ~~work~~ in which his whole soul is so deeply interested.

Secondly. Your denominational system has been less rigid, or less sectarian than any other in the Colony. Consequently there has been more freedom of thought, and real earnest enquiry after truth, and appeals to the word of God in your mission, than may be found among those who are bound by the crystalized theological dogmas of rigid sectarian systems. Moreover the influence of this liberty and toleration among your brethren has been not only beneficial to the people of their charge, but has also extended to many others outside your denomination, thus promoting the cause of truth generally in the island.

Thirdly. Practical industry and the dignification of manual labour has been another marked feature of your mission. Your ministers have not been ashamed to go into the woods & fields with their axes & hoes to engage in real hard toil, thus demonstrating to the people the true dignity of labour; and encouraging them in habits of industry and self-dependence.

And though their example in this respect has not been followed as much as could be desired, yet some good impressions have been made, and a seed sown that will yet I believe bear precious fruit.

While it was obviously of the first importance that a people who had been by a

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a long and cruel system of slavery, taught to regard all manual labour as a degradation should be set right on such a vital question, yet scarcely a missionary among the two hundred in the island, except your brethren, would stoop to set such an example to the people as they required. In this your Mission has almost stood alone — the Moravians have done a little — and deserve much credit for their courage & self-denial; while the continuation and extension of such a work cannot but be most heartily desired by all who take an interest in the welfare of Jamaica. —

With regard to your schools I have been very glad to observe that last year they began to look up, and have been improving considerably ever since. The Teachers take a deeper interest in their work, which the parents appear to appreciate by sending out their children as they have not done for many years past, and the schools continue to show a higher degree of efficiency at the annual Govt inspections. The state & prospects of your schools are certainly very cheering & encouraging just now; & it would be a sad pity if anything should occur to retard their progress to still higher degrees of efficiency & usefulness. With these impressions I should be very sorry to see your Mission abandoned, because none of the other regular denominations would, or even could enter into your peculiar labours, the special testimony of the American brethren would be lost; and I fear that most if not all your stations would ultimately fall into the hands of the ignorant & unprincipled native teachers already alluded to; which could not be regarded in any other light, by all who know these wretched false teachers, than a sad calamity. I trust therefore that your good folks in America will be induced to continue their good operations out here, & send out one or two more missionaries to help you in your arduous work, as the responsibilities & labours which you have to bear just now must I imagine be more than you can well sustain. — Yours sincerely John Sowerge

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1874		Dr.
June 1st	To balance brought forward	$2450.16
" "	" Salaries. Thompson. Venning and Wilson 3 m.	562.50
" "	" Ditto Mr. J. McLeod $62.50 Miss Lucy Woodcock $75.	137.50
" "	" Rent of Rooms 3 months Kingston	20.00
" "	" Freight &c Aug/73 $5.97. Do. Nov/73 $6.34	12.31
" "	" Ditto Jan./74	7.32
" "	" Contributions of churches ?	100.00
" "	" Difference between Gold and Currency on	
" "	" Books Aug & Sept/73 $1.88. Dpt $74.25. Gold $8.53	10.41
" "	" Dpt $700 Gold Oct. $72.62 - Christian Union $0.85	73.47
" "	" Books Nov. $0.71 Ditto Dec. $7.85	8.56
" "	" Harpers Weekly & Christian Union	.94
" "	" Dpt. $600. Gold Jan $67.50. Books $1.11	68.61
" "	" Dpt. $200 Gold Jan./74	23.50
" "	" Dpt. $50. Gold Feb. $6.25. Dpt $50. Gold Mar. $5.87	12.12
" "	" Dpt $775. Gold Apr.	104.62
" "	" Passage to New York of S.B.W.	50.00
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Commission entry Sub. Dec 1

June 1/74

...the Treasurer of Jamaica Mission

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1874 June 1st	By	W. E. W. Aug. /73	✓	$10.17 +
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" "	"	W. E. W. Jan. /74	✓	908.65
" "	"	W. E. W. Feb /74	✓	56.25
" "	"	W. E. W. Mar. /74	✓	55.87
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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FL-11303
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whipple

Will you please send what letters you have for me to Waterville Oneida Co. N. Y.

Will you also please have Bro. Whiting send a check equal to seventy five dollars Gold to Dr. W. E. Jewett Adrian Michigan and state to him (Dr. Jewett) that it is from me

I am glad to say that my health is improving though at times I suffer considerably with pains in my chest

Your brother in Christ
S. B. Wilson

Chap. 4

Rev. S. B. Wilson,
Hudson N. Y.
6/22/74

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S. B. Walsan

White Pigeon Mich.
July 18th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4304
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whiting

Please send to me at White Pigeon Michigan. a check for an amount equal to Three Hundred Dollars. Gold. ($300.00.) I arranged to have about Six Hundred Dollars Gold paid to the missionaries in Jamaica in June. You paid me Three Hundred when I was in New York and this to cover the other Three Hundred

With my kindest regards.

Yours very truly

S. B. Walsan

S. B. Wells
White Pigeon Mich.
July 29th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4305
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro. Whiting

Yours with check of $330. is at hand.

The $12.12. for newspapers for Miss Woodcock & will enter in my next yr. account

The contributions of our churches in Jamaica that I have mentioned in my accounts have been applied towards the salaries of our missionaries and I think you will observe & have duly credited you with them.

As I am looking mainly to my friends and to my own private resources for the means to defray

my expenses while here & shall not need to make any drafts upon you until the next quarterly salaries of our missionaries are due.

I have received no letters from Damascus lately. Will you be so kind as to inquire at Dr. Whipple's office if there are any there for me and please ask them to forward all my letters until otherwise advised to me at White Pigeon, Michigan?

Yours very truly

S. B. Wilson

A. M. R. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-11306
FISK UNIV

Rev. John Thompson
Richmond Post Office
Jamaica
Aug 1. 1874

Rec'd Aug 12/74

Rev George Whipple Sec A. M. A.

My Dear Brother

In the good providence of our God I have been spared and sustained in the harness during another year; a year of many mercies and much searching of heart, during which the Lord has been pleased to give effect to the humble efforts of his servants at 'Brainerd' for the promotion of his own glory

It is true that some of our company have been walking disorderly, and have parted company with us, for a time at least: while six of our number have gone to a world of spirits.

Then on the other hand twenty-seven persons have united with us on profession, and two have returned to their first love.

I rejoice too that a few more persons are now applicants for Church fellowship with us and that the cause

cause of God continues to all upon improve amongst us for which I trust we are truly thankful, all glory to Him whose we are and whom we serve.

Our four day Schools have made considerable progress during the year both as to numbers and proficiency; and have passed Government inspection with credit to the respective teachers, and very much to my own comfort. I will forward the Inspector's report to you by next mail, together with a few additional lines relative to my work.

Our teachers are all Godly men, whose aim it is to educate their pupils for both worlds. Some of the elder Scholars are in fellowship with us, and it is known to us that several others are about to apply for church communion.

The church at Manning Hill has made steady progress during the year. ten persons in all have united in fellowship with us there, while the Sabbath School has grown to an organization of considerable importance. additional accommodation

Accommodation has been made for the congregation in the completion of a gallery in the chapel, but we need still further accommodation to meet the wants of a constant growing cause.

Mr John McLeod, our assistant missionary now labours exclusively at Eliot. Mr Bishop our teacher there is the junior deacon of the church and superintendant of the Sabbath School, and I do hope that the efforts of those brethren may be blessed to the wellbeing of the cause of God amongst themselves. Having so much to do in other directions I may not be able to help them as heretofore, and perhaps it may be well that our friends at Eliot should study the question of "Self help" a little more than they have done.

The contributions set down in my report, now sent, do not include Missionary collections, but the collections taken up and expended for Station purposes. I will forward Missionary collections by next mail.

I fear it may be thought that our contributions are comparatively

Small

Small, I have often thought to myself and have brought the subject before the people, regarding it as a solemn duty that every one should contribute to the cause of God according to their means. Our people are poor, I know, but I question if the amount of their subscriptions would harmonize with expenditure in other directions.

This question must be taken up, as in the event of the churches being transferred to some other organization we shall be open to the charge of neglect, under the present state of things; any way it is a matter of duty which ought to be attended to.

If in the order of Divine providence a transfer should be made I trust our Mission premises may be found in a good state of repair, and the respective churches and Schools be found in such a state as to reflect credit on all parties interested.

May we all be directed to do right for the good of our fellow men and the glory of our Lord and Master, is the prayer, Dear Brother.

Of yours very truly Jno Thompson

Return of Chesterfield Church & Station
from Aug. 1st 1873 to Aug. 1st 1874

No of members on Church List Aug. 1st 1873	95
Deceased	1
~~Left irregularly~~	~~1~~
Dismissed by Letter	1
Excommunicated	2
Total Decrease	4
Received on Profession. Total Increase	2
Present No of members on List Aug. 1. 1874	93

	£ . s . d
Contributions to Support of Minister	9 . 3 . 3
" for Station Purposes	6 . 2 . 7½
" for Freedmen	1 . 17 . 6

No of Sabbath Congregation about	150
" " Sab. School Scholars	100

C. B. Deming

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Return of Schools from
Aug 1st 1873 to Aug 1st 1874

Chesterfield School
Mr E. N. McLaughlin. Teacher

No. on List Boys 62. Girls 35 = 97
Average daily Attendance " 40¼ " 23¾ = 64
School Fees . . . £ s o
78 " 8 " 4½

Camberwell School
Mr Jno. Phillips - Teacher

No on List Boys 38. Girls 18 = 56
Average Attendance " 35. " 14 = 49

Baxter's Mountain
Mr Frederic Marshall - Teacher

No on List Boys 21. Girls 12 = 33
Average Attendance " 21. " 12 = 33

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Rev. C. B. Venning -
Jamaica, W. I.

Church and School
Statistics -
Aug. /73 to Aug. /74.

Richmond Post Office
Jamaica
August 1st 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. H-4308
FISK UNIV.

The Rev George Whipple Sec A. M. A.

My Dear Brother

I wrote you on the 1st inst when I sent my reports to that date which I trust may reach you in due time

I think I now see my way to take possession of "Downers Hope" in the parish of Portland belonging to Mr Berry of Broadway, and which he instructed us to dispose of and divide the net proceeds with him.

I will forward herewith the Govt Inspectors reports of some of our schools recently inspected.

Brother Wilson will hand you $35 being part of my Missionary collections for the year, and in addition to this I have paid our native brother Harris the sum of $25 as assistant Missionary say for a half years Salary; will you kindly allow this? as his Salary from the A. M. A. has been discontinued.

Bro Harris has been with us about eleven years and he is now my right hand man, ever ready to take part in every good work.

Our Brother Venn is at Chesterfield and at work again, I trust he may be able to forward his report this year. I am My Dear Brother

yours ever truly
Jno Thompson

Rev. John Thompson.
Richmond
Jamaica, W. I.
8/11/74

Rev. S. B. Wilson
White Pigeon, Mich.
Rec'd 9/16/74

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4309
FISK UNIV.

White Pigeon Mich.
Aug 12th 1874

Dear Bro. Whipple

I shall leave this place on my way to New York early next week and I would like you to send my letters until otherwise ordered to me care of Prof. G. N. Allen. Oberlin Ohio.

As I have several friends whom I wish to visit on the way I shall probably not reach New York until the first or second week in October

Will you please ascertain for me at what dates in October the steamers sail for Jamaica I think the Allan line is the only line touching at Kingston now.

I am glad to say that I am feeling very much stronger and better. I shall be glad to get back to my field of labor for I cannot be happier anywhere than when engaged in my work there

With my kindest Christian regards I am

Very sincerely Yours

L. B. Walton

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. II-4310
FISK UNIV.

School Inspectors' Office
Kingston, 12. Aug. 1874

Dear Brother,

In reply to your enquiry in relation to the schools of your mission as to the positions taken under the government inspection, I have only time to say in a general way, that Chesterfield and Brainerd are doing good work and have passed second class this year. Manning Hill and August town are nearly, and promise to be quite, equal to the former; while Eliot is in a prosperous condition so far as school work is concerned. Richmond wants vigour - the pupils

J. J. Wood.
School Inspector.
Kingston Jamaica W.I.
8/12/74

are slow. I have had favourable accounts of Brandon Hill, which, together with Camberwell, Baxter Mountains, and Providence I shall visit soon.

Your teachers generally are earnest christians. As such I wish they were better sustained.

The school rooms are rather crowded, which shows that the teachers are esteemed.

I am dear Bro.
Yours faithfully
J. J. Wood

Rev. John Thompson

Rev. C. B. Venning -

Chesterfield. Aug. 10. 1874
Jamaica W. I.
8/13/74

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4311
FISK UNIV.

Rev. Geo Whipple

My dear Brother

Observing where I date from you will be glad I know to see that I am once more in my old field of labor. You probably heard from Bro. Wilson that when he left here for the States I had come to St Ann's for a change. the climate of that Parish having the reputation of being about the most salubrious in the Island. After remaining there for nearly four months I returned to Kingston & after resting there for a few days I came up here the last week in July. Although I do not feel any decided change for the better in my health yet my visit

to St Ann's has not been al-
together without benefit I trust
I cannot of course expect ever
to regain my former strength con-
sidering my time of life, the nature
of my complaint & its long standing
still I am so far recovered from
my last severe illness as to be able
since my return to attend to some
of my pastoral duties to preach on
the two Sabbaths I have been here
to attend the weekly meetings of
the church for prayer & to see & con-
verse with one & another of my people
as I have opportunity but all in
great weakness & weariness & very
imperfectly of course.

For a long time whenever I would
think about writing you I have felt
much about the same as one of the Deacons of
the Ch. here expressed himself to me.
"Minister" he said, "I have been want-
ing to write you a letter, but the way
things stand in the church I had no
mind to it" So it has been with me

& this together with my frequent ailments & feebleness will account for my long silence. My last letter to you was written last October.

During the fall of last year & the first quarter of the present, the accounts I received of the state of things at this station were any thing but cheering. such as the declension of some of the members of the Ch. the coldness & neglect of others & of the disheartening effect these had on the more spiritual. & as might be expected under these circumstances, the sad condition of most of our young people. then again long continued rainy weather frequently interfered with meetings (which indeed you would not wonder at if you witnessed our rains in these mountain regions, saw the condition of our roads ~~[illegible]~~, & knew how dangerous our rivers are at such times) & altogether the accounts which came to me of the people of my charge made me feel sad indeed. as though my labors among them these many years had been almost in vain.

About three or four months ago however Mr McLaughlin the Teacher who also conducts services & preaches on the Sabbath & otherwise interests himself in the spiritual welfare of the people began to write me more cheeringly. that meetings were being better attended. that when the brethren & sisters came together for prayer &c they seemed to be more earnest speaking good things & exhorting one another to good works. & better still that many were beginning to do things that for some time had been left undone. Mr B. whom I left in Kingston when I went to St Ann & who went up to Chesterfield soon after. she too in her letters to me wrote quite encouragingly. Her presence among the people seemed to have a good influence - it reassured them about myself & our continued interest in them. And now much more so, seeing me in their midst again. They seem truly glad to have me among them once more. The brethren

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1(B)2
FISK UNIV.

sisters seem as though they could never cease to give thanks to God for their prayers for me for His kind & what seems to all, His wonderful dealings with me. This of course is gratifying to me but not only so I am comforted & thankful to our heavenly Father for the evidences I have had since I came here of the warm heartedness & steadfastness of godly women towards the Lord Jesus & His gospel On the other hand I have to see & hear things of many which cause me no little grief & depression of spirits. But we will hope & wait on the Lord for better things to come. Other providences are helping to make the people old & young ~~more~~ susceptible of good impressions.

There is much sickness in the district & two deaths have occurred this week one of an elderly

brother in the church who we have reason to hope has gone to his rest above. the other of an ungodly young man. But what affects us more is the serious illness of the chief deacon & main pillar in the Church. he is just now laid aside with a malady from which I fear he will not recover. Why the good Lord be gracious unto us & spare our brother to us. Nice dover

You will observe in the return of Schools sent here with that I have given a new school - "Baxter Mountain" I report it because it is geographically more connected with Chesterfield than with any other Station. But Bro. Thompson has had all the work to do in establishing. he visited the district, met the people -

heard their complaint, saw the destitution of anything in the way of educating their children, reported it to Government & obtained a "Grant in Aid" to establish a school and now it is in operation & was so four weeks before the August Holidays. For the present the school is kept in an old make-shift building till a new house & Teacher's dwelling can be put up by the people's labour & the grant given by Govt.

Thus Rev. T. has to go about visiting one Station to another to supply the lack of service on the part of Rev. Wilson & himself. Were it not, as he was saying the other day, that he had such an faithful assistant & fellow-labourer as Bro Harris the Teacher at Brainerd his principal Station & a good trustworthy brother in Mr Kelly the Teacher at Manning's Hill his other Station he

could hardly do this.
So the Lord makes provision for us in our great need. Bro T's labors of course are arduous May his life & health be precious in the sight of God that he may preserve him to the Mission to do the work so needed to be done.

And now dear Brother I am compelled to stop. I would like to write you more about our schools & Teachers but I am over weary. May the good Lord guide sustain & comfort you in all the many responsibilities & duties He has laid upon you in prosecuting the good work among the Freedmen South -

Ever Yours affectly,

C. B. Benning

Sept 1/74

— The A.M.A. in a/c with the Treas. Fa. Mission —

1874		Dr
Sept 1st	To Balance brought forward	$659.91
" "	" Salaries Thompson Venning & Wilson	562.50
" "	" Mr. J. McLeod	62.50
" "	" Miss Lucy Woodcock	75.—
" "	" Rent of Rooms. Kingston	20.—
	Balance	$1379.91

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4313
FISK UNIV.

J. B. Nelson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-U314
FISK UNIV.

White Pigeon Mich.
Sept: 1st 1874

Dear Bro. Whiting

I have been away from home a few weeks and was not here when your letter of Aug 11th arrived.

The $100. of which you speak was collected last year before the first of Sept: and is entered in the accts. of either of the quarter ending Sept 1st or Dec 1st or at least should have been I have not the accts. of those quarters with me but if I have not given you credit for it then I must do so now. ~~but~~ I am under a strong impression however that I

must have entered it already in the accts of one or the other of those quarters.
In case it was entered then you would not of course find it in the June quarter
Accounts of Collections must soon come in from Jamaica for this year if they have not already come in.

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-11815
FISK UNIV.

Richmond. P.O. St Mary Par
Jamaica West Indies
Sept 22 1874

Rev Geo. Whipple Cor Sec of the A.M.A.
56 Reade Street New York

Dear Sir.

I have often thought of writing to you and have several times commenced letters but have thrown them aside for there are some things that I would like to say, but do not want to say there in reference to the present state of the Mission and its future prospects I have sometimes thought perhaps it was the wisest to remain silent and let time develop things.

But as I am employed by the A.M.A. it might be my duty to speak of the condition of things. My 8½ years at most of observation and experience among this people and their prosperity I am not ignorant of the manner how the work is prospering. The schools on the whole are as good as they have been at any time since I have been here.

They are all under government inspection and all passed at the last inspection. But the churches and Mission premises are in a low state. The building at all the Mission stations are going to decay and some are most tumbled down. The building here are mostly very faint in their structure. Mannings Hill is the only building that is built of stone. Wooden buildings soon decay and most of the material that are used in building the insects soon destroy. Now one man cannot look after all the Mission churches or premises so that their may prosperity. We usually judge of spiritual prosperity of a church by the condition of its place of worship. As one pass by an see the chapel patched up by three or four stick, a board hanging by a nail here and glass of the windows, gone here and there — and general desolation reigns. The beholder will draw some conclusions —

The Minister of churches here have so much to do if he is a faithful labor. There is much labor to be performed besides preaching on the Sabbath. A Minister must live among his people so that their may be that healthful family influence among the flock who he is placed as an overseer.

As things are at the present some of our Mission churches do not see a Minister for months, and I know of one (Calif.) that have not received the communion service for the past six or eight months.

Mr. Thompson is the only ordained Minister that is able to go about in the Mission, and he does not visit that church often, In fact he has not had much to do with them since last December when he went and told them that the society in New York had cut them off, and he would have nothing more to do with them. One of the deacons of the church remonstrated with Mr Thompson and contended that he did not have that power — himself. But they as a church was under the protection

Miss L. A. Woodcock,
Richmond, Jam. W. I.
9/28/74

of the society in New York. so the church sent two delegates to Mr Wilson to know how matters stood with them at Eliot and ~~Society~~ at home. Bro Wilson told them that they were not cut off — since that time Mr T. and Eliot church have not been what it should have been Mr. McLeod that officiates there on the sabbath is not an ordained minister The arraignment was that Mr Th was to have the pastrol care of the church and Mr McLeod as help. and Mr Thompson was to come to Eliot once a month and to administer the Sacrament. and such sabbaths Mr McLeod was to go to Brainard or what other station Mr Thompson might appoint him to, March was the last time that he was at Brainard I see by the last annual report of the C.M.A. That Mr Thompson reports that Mr McLeod officiates here at Richmond on the sabbath, occasionily I do not see how a man could send such a thing as Mr T. knows it is not so. Mr McLeod officiate here one sabbath over a year ago when Mr Wolcott was sick and not able to attend

It is almost a year since there has been any services held here and since I have been here there never were more that 15. or 20. at any time on the sabbath, and often has been the time only Mr Wolcott family and mine have made the congregation. I find the sabbaths long an unprofitable to sit at home sabbath after sabbath so I take a ride of seven miles to church, when the weather permits. As the M.E. contemplates to make some changes in reference to this mission the sooner it is effected the better it will be for the progress of the future of the churches. But to have them remain as they are for the present they must of a necessity dwindle down. I do think that if the stations were manned with active earnest working men they might be brought up - but as things are they never will.

If the A.M.A. would send out a person to see the condition of things and report to the home board - help to settle things —
My school for the past year was about the same as the year before composed of new and raw material and not but a few children from any families connected with any of our mission churches.

No. Boys 32 - No. Girls 32 Total 64
Avary. Boys 20 " Girls 18 " 38
school - fee. £ s d
4 - 12 - 4½ -

The small pox and the rainy season at the beginning of the hindered the progress of the school some what.

I remain
Yours.
Miss L. A. Woodcock

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4316
FISK UNIV.

N. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 11-4319
FISK UNIV.

New York
Oct 7th 1874

Dear Bro. Whipple

It is very probable that our Jamaica Mission will be under discussion at our next Annual Meeting. If so the following facts may be of service.

We have 6 churches with over 500. members and our attendance on the Sabbath is over 1200.

We have 10 schools with an attendance of about 500 scholars

Nearly all ~~of~~ our teachers conduct services on the Sabbath and some of them we think are in a fair way to become useful preachers

Now to carry on our work we ask the A.M.A. to support six the field only 3 ministers. Can the A.M.A. for the same money do more good anywhere else?

We wish that at this Annual Meeting the A.M.A. would decide to stand by us and assure us it will give us this moderate assistance

The constant recurrence of the subject of giving up our mission has had a very depressing effect both upon the missionaries and upon the churches of our mission. There never was a time when our churches and schools (with one or two exceptions) were more prosperous than at the present.

we have labored hard to bring them up to their present standing and to make them as nearly self-supporting as they are, and we shall feel very much hurt if the Association does not continue to help us as long as we need its help

We have fully canvassed the subject of a transfer of our churches to any other missionary body and we find that it is quite impracticable.

We acknowledge that the A.M.A. has done a great deal for the Jamaica Mission but we think that involves a necessity for doing more

Desiring only what is in the best interests of the great missionary work

I remain Your brother in Christ

S. B. Wilson

Rev. S. B. Wilson.
New York -
10/7/74

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-4318
FISK UNIV.

Rev. John Thompson.
Brainerd Station -
Jamaica - W.I.
10/7/74

Magazine.

Brainerd, Richmond Post Office
Jamaica October 7. 1874

Rev George Whipple Sec. A. M. A.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4319
FISK UNIV.

My Dear Brother

Your two letters, 12th August & 17th September came duly to hand, respectively. the former caused a feeling of gladness on my heart & mind, but the latter brought a dash of Sadness over me, which was only temporary, however; as on reflection I saw the fairness & justness of the action taken by the Annual Meeting of 1873. You have "more important work" elsewhere; and it is time that the churches here should be self sustaining: Relying on divine aid, I will endeavour to meet the altered circumstances cheerfully.

I will, as you requested, "write you fully," and frequently: Altho in the absence of Bro Wilson I cannot write about the Mission generally but only as to the two churches, viz Brainard & Manning's Hill with four Schools under my pastoral care.- We had a full Church meeting here yesterday, mainly for the election of new deacons and to entertain applications for Membership, when six persons applied for fellowship with us and one was restored to our communion; and so the Lord's work goes on amongst us and becomes more and more important from day to day.- I availed myself of the opportunity to read your letter

Letter to the church, when there was a general expression of approval of the step taken; and a very strong expression of gratitude for past favours thro' the agency of the A.M.A. I will read the letter to the Church at Manning's Hill on an early day, when I make no doubt but that that church will express a feeling in unison with the church here.

From my own reports and other documents I have sent you from time to time, you will have observed that a considerable portion of Mission work have fallen to my share; and, judging from circumstances, I may, at no distant day, be required, in the order of providence, to assume still further responsibilities, therefore taking all things into consideration while I approve of the step taken, yet I fain would see the fairness of the time intimated, "Six Months" is a short notice, I think, for work so important, particularly as the work and responsibility may fall heavily upon one man.

Our brother Denning and his aged partner are now growing feeble and aught, in my opinion, to be released from harness. They have both worked long & well, and I seriously hope the A.M.A. will not allow the aged couple to feel the pinch of want at the brink of the river. Some time ago I expressed a wish to visit

visit America but providence so ordered it that I was kept in the field. I was out of health at that time and should have been glad of change and rest. I cannot now plead for a change on the score of health, but I think, in all fairness I deserve a holiday and I am seriously thinking of visiting your great assembly next year. I believe it is the wish of the churches here that I should thank the A.M.A. in person for the great good you have done for them for many years past.

I do not know when to expect Bro Wilson back to Jamaica but I should think in about a month or so. I take it for granted that he is aware of the contemplated action of the committee and that he will meet you at New York previous to sailing.

Wishing you, My Dear Brother, the presence and blessing of our Lord.

I am yours in Him
Jno Thompson

S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
Oct 20th 1874

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4332
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as the Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Messrs McCartney & Wade for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars Gold. fifteen days after sight

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly

S. B. Wilson

Rev. S. B. Wilson.

✓ Jam. Mission Dl.

11/18/74

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FL-4321
FISK UNIV.

Brandon Hill
Nov. 18th 1874
Dec 3

Rev. George Whipple
American Missionary Association
56 Reade Street
New York

My dear Bro.

I had a very pleasant voyage back to Jamaica but since my return we have experienced more unpleasant weather than I ever saw in Jamaica before. I have now been back a month and I have been able to meet the people here at Brandon Hill on but one Sabbath and that was the first Sabbath I was here as of course I am able to write nothing of interest as [illegible]

[illegible] experienced a hurricane

on Sunday Nov. 1st of which you have doubtless heard something already in the papers which did a great deal of damage in blowing down houses, trees and whole fields of provisions and in sinking and driving ashore quite a number of vessels. I am afraid the destruction of provision fields may occasion a great deal of suffering among the poorer people. I am glad to say that the mission buildings here are uninjured notwithstanding one or two houses were blown down within sight.

I received your short letter last week but I trust I ~~shall~~ shall hear from you again soon and in [illegible] in reference to the action of the Executive Committee as affects [illegible] and indeed everything you [illegible] write for

our encouragement for I can assure you the missionaries and our churches have been very much depressed by the last communication from the Association. We are having it hard enough at best and although our main trust is in God I hope we shall find that we are not trusting to the Association in vain.

Will you please forward the enclosed letter to Messrs. A. S. Barnes & Co and oblige?

Yours very Sincerely

S. B. Wilson

S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
Dec 1st 1874

A. M. A. ARC...
NO. FI-4322
FISK

W. E. Whiting Esq.
56. Reade St.
New Y[illegible]

[illegible] have this day drawn [illegible] you as Treasurer of [illegible] American Missionary Assoc[illegible] to the order of Messrs. Davidson Colthurst & Co. for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars in Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4323
FISK UNIV.

Kingston Jamaica
Dec 15th 1874

W. E. Whiting Esq.

Sir

I have this day drawn on you as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Alexander Berry for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly
S. B. Wilson

Office of Holmes, Bates & Nichols.

Aspen C. L. W. to pay 200 gold 15 days if in funds

Boston, 26th. Decr. 1874

Z. A. M. A. ARCHIVES
FI-4324
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whitney Esqr.
Treas. Am. Missionary Assn.
No. 56 Reade Street New York.

Dear Sir —

Enclosed we send W. B. Wilson's draft, (with letter of advice) on yourself at 15 days sight for $200. — gold —

We shall be glad to have you discount this, and return check for the amount —

Otherwise accept same, and return to our address —

Yours very Respectfully

Holmes Bates & Nichols.

Dec 1/74

The A. M. A in ac.

1874.

Dec 1st	To Balance brought forward	$1379.91
" "	" Salaries Thompson Fenning & Wilson	562.50
" "	" " " Mr John McLeod	62.50
" "	" " " " Miss Lucy Wandenck	75.00
" "	" Passage S. B. Wilson to Kingston	50.00
" "	" Dif between Gold & currency on	
" "	" Dft $300 Gold May	36.75
" "	" Dft $350 Gold June	40.25
" "	" Dft $300 Gold July	30.00
		2236.91

Brandon Hill Dec. 1st

Dear Bro. Whiting

Herewith I send you the ac for the Jam. Mission for the yr ending Dec. 1st.

We have given up our mission Rooms in Kingston so I have nothing to enter against you for them

I entered all you had for Ap. in my June ac except $12.12 for

With the Dress. Dam. Mission

1874

Dec 1st	By papers to Miss Wandenck	$ 12.12
" " "	W. E. W. May	341.55
" " "	W. E. W. June	481.80
" " "	W. E. W July	330.00
" " "	Contributions Dam. churches	115.00
	This amt to balance	956.44
		2236.91

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F14325
FISK UNIV.

papers for Miss Wandenck which I now enclose in this.

Will you please fill the enclosed order for me and send the articles by the first steamer.

Please forward the enclosed letter and oblige

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
May 28th 1876

S. B. Wilson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4326
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esq
Sir

I have this day drawn on you as the treasurer of the American Missionary Association to the order of Davidson-Calthurst & Co. for the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy five Dollars Gold fifteen days after sight.

Please honor the above with your accustomed favor and oblige

Yours truly

S. B. Wilson

30th June 1875 with Brown, Shipley & Co. London, Cr.

1874											
Decr	31	By Bill & Brown Bros. & Co		102	"	"	Jan	20	1875	
1875 Jan	19	" " " do	6040	76	14	6	Mch	23		1.
	28	" " " do	"	138	11	4	Apl	1		2.
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	23	" " " do	6040	112	4	"		24		2.
May	3	" " " do	"	126	9	8	July	5		2.
June	14	" " " do	"	40	16	"	Aug	16		.6
	30	" Amount Carried down		259	14	8				
			£	938	13	5				
1875 June	30	By Bills brought down		164	5	8				

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4327 FISK UNIV.

Brown S & Co
4/7 July 73

The American Missionary Association

Interest Statement, to 30th June 1875

Due Date.			Dr. Balances.			Cr. Balances.			Days.	Rate.	Dr. Interest.			Cr. Interest.		
Dec	31	1874	182	16	3				7	6						
Jany	7	1875	182	16	3				13	5						
	20		80	16	3				3	,						
	23		216	13	6				7	,						
	30		296	13	6				24	,						
July	23		406	13	6				28	,						
March	23		329	16	.				9	,						
April	1		191	4	5				18	,						
	19		109	4	5				8	,						
	27					2	19	7	8							
May	5		121	.	5				38	,						
June	12		161	.	5				18	,						
	30										£	5	6	10		

Dr. The American Missionary Assn. in account current & interest to New York

1874								
Decr	31	To Balance of account rendered	182	16	3	Decr	31	1874
	"	" draft p D W Burton	135	14	3	Jan	23	1875
	"	" " " J R Billheimer	80	"	"		30	
1875	"	" " " D W Burton	110	"	"	Feby	23	
Apl	2	" " " do Mendi. 6040	112	"	"	May	5	
	"	" " " do "	12	"	"		"	
May	10	" " " do "	40	"	"	June	12	
June	15	" " " do "	90	2	9	July	18	
	30	" Commission on £254.29 @ 1%	2	10	10			
	"	" Interest as p statement	5	6	10			
	"	" Stamp duty	"	8	6			
	"	" Postages	"	5	4			
	"	" Bills Carried down	167	5	8			
			£ 938	13	5			
1875 June	30	To Balance brought down Cash 30 June 1875.	169	11	11			
	"	" draft brought down	90	2	9			
			259	14	8			

E. O. E

London 30th June 1875

Brown Shipley & Co

1875

The A. M. A. in a/c with the Treas. San. Commission

			Dr.
May 1st	To Balance brought forward	✓	956 44
" "	" Salary of Thompson Venning & Wilson 1 yr	✓	562 50
" "	" Miss Lucy Wandewalk	✓	75 00
June 1st	" Salaries Thompson Venning & Wilson 1 yr	✓	562 50
" "	" Miss Lucy Wandewalk 70	✓	75 00
" "	" Diff. between gold and currency payment in New York		
" "	" Mrs. Thompson $2 v. Gold Mr Jewell $20 Gold Oct	✓	4 80
" "	" Dft $200 Gold Nov.	✓	227 50
" "	" Dft $500 Gold Dec.	✓	600 00
" "	" Gold Papers and Dft $200. Jan 1/75	✓	28 03
" "	" Gold & Clerks Feb.	✓	2 87
" "	" Dft $375 Gold March	✓	68 75
" "	" Expenses from Brandon Hill to Kingston GR	✓	25 00
" "	" Expenses in Kingston	✓	30 00
" "	" Passages to New York £46.12.6	✓	234 37
" "	" Railroad fares to Michigan	✓	80 00
" "	" Paid Miss Lucy Wandewalk Kingston ?	✓	21 00
		Cr.	$2814 01 ✓
"	By W. E. W. Oct. 74	52 80 ×	
" "	" W. E. W. Nov.	222 75 ×	
" "	" W. E. W. Dec with $115 ex. cal. off	562 50 ×	
" "	" W. E. W. Jan. 75	252 21 ×	
" "	" W. E. W. Feb.	25 76 ×	
" "	" W. E. W. March	438 75 ×	
	This amt. to Balance		1259 24 2814 01
	Due to B. W. Adam Gold		$1559 24
	But due S. B. W.	Dft Davidson Cullihird & Co Gold June	675 —
		Balance due S. B. W. June 17	884 24

Gold	884 24	100
	88 42	10
	44 21	5
	8 84	1
	8 84	1
Currency	$1034 55	117
Out	200 —	paid in June
	$834 55	paid in June

Got to day 5.05.72

Order Thompson $217 Gold

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Jacob attended to this Aug 2/75 BBW

Miss Woodcock

Richmond P.O. St Marys Parish
Jamaica West Indies
July 2nd 1875

W. E. Whiting Esqr. Asst Treas A.M.A.
56 Reade St New York

Miss Woodcocks. Compliments and she begs to say, if Mr W. E. W. will oblige her by requesting the Publishers of her papers, to send her the No from April 8th to May 15th inclusive, as those numbers are wanting. For Harpers Weekly.

Harpers Bazar
Rural New Yorker — 1875

The Year should begin with the first of April

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. E1-4329
FISK UNIV.

No. 4. London, 9 July 1875.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
No. EI-4338

The American Missionary Assoc:
New York.

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with our custom at this season of the year we enclose a statement of your account made up to the 30 Ulto showing a cash balance of £169.11.11 in our favor subject to amounts not matured brought down on both sides — which we hope you will find correct.

We remain,
Your obedient Servants,
Brown Shipley & Co

The American Miss Y Assoc

New York

NO. FI-4331
FISK UNIV.

E. B. Wilson

Vistula Elkhart Co.
Indiana
July 19th 1875 –

Wrote July 24/75

Same Harper & Bros July 29/75

Dear Bro. Whiting

I asked you when I was in New York to order Harpers Weekly and The "Annals of an Quiet Neighborhood" sent to me at the above P.O. from Harper & Bros. but as I have not yet seen them I am afraid the order has been overlooked. Will you please order them sent me now? The Harpers Weekly from the present time

I also wrote you a few weeks ago and sent you my Hotel bill in New York

and my freight bill on my goods to this place which I paid and which Bro. Whipple said should be refunded to me

The amount of the Hotel bill was $49.30. and of the Freight bill was $13.61 making a total of $62.81 I asked that out of this you would send me a good mattress 4 ft. by 6 ft. and send me ~~the~~ a check for the balance

Sent

not buy

I have not heard from you since writing so I conclude you may not have received my letter. Will you please attend to the matter for me now and have the Mattress sent to me at Middlebury on the Lake Shore and Mich

Southern Ry. and the
check to me by Mail
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this letter and oblige

Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

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J Thompson

Kingston Sept. 1. 1875

W. E. Whiting Esqr Asst Treas
American Missionary
Association
56 Reade Street
New York.

My Dear Sir

I have this day drawn on you, in favor of Messrs Davidson Colthurst & Co, at Fifteen days sight, for the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars. ($450.)

Kindly honour the same and oblige

My Dear Sir
yours very truly
Jno Thompson

G.W. on coming year

A. M. A. ARC. No. EL 4334 PARK DR.

S. B. Wilson

Vistula Elkhart Co. Ind.

Sept 8th 1875

A. M. A. ARCHI
NO. FI-4335
FISK

Dear Bro. Whiting

Will you please send me a check for an amount equal to One Hundred and Eighty seven dollars and fifty cents Gold ($187.50) that being the amount due me on my salary for the three months ending Sept. 1st?

I also send enclosed with this two orders on you given me by Rev. John Thompson one for Two Hundred and Seventeen dollars gold ($217.00) payable last June and one for One Hundred and fifteen dollars gold ($115.00) payable on the first of September

As I am not in immediate want of this money

In currency

if you will give me some kind of a paper for it that is all I require for the present

Of course for the order due in June I think I should have the value of gold at that time which was 1.17 and for the one due in Sept what gold is now.

Yours very truly

Sherman B. Wilson

Wrote see Letter Book

S B Wilson

Fistula Elkhart Co
Indiana
Nov 3rd 1875

A. M. A. ARCH.
NO. FI-4336
FISK UNIV.

W. E. W.

Bal 609
Int

W. E. Whiting Esq
56 Reade St. New York
Dear Bro.

Will you please send me a check for the amount you have credited to me in your ledger. There was Two Hundred and Thirty four dollars and fifty five cents ($234.55) credited to me last June and Three Hundred and seventy nine dollars and thirty one cents ($379.31) in Sept. both amounts being upon interest.

I am not satisfied with your settlement of the matter as I think I ought to have had

the value of gold in June and
really with interest from June
as the order from Mr. Thompson
of $217. due at that time. But
as I am in immediate need
of the money I am compelled
to send for it as you have
credited it and trust that
either Bro. Whipple or the Ex. Com.
will see my affairs with the
A.M.A. more satisfactorily
adjusted.

With kind regards
Yours very truly
S. B. Wilson

Kingston Jamaica
Nov 15. 1875

J Thompson

To W. E. Whiting Esquire

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
FI-11337
FISK

My Dear Sir

I have this day drawn on you, as Treasurer of the American Missionary Association for the sum of Five hundred and fifty dollars ($550) in favour of Messrs Davidson Colthurst & co, which kindly honour please; and charge the same to the Jamaica Mission. and oblige

My Dear Sir
yours very truly
Jno Thompson
Trea. Jam. Miss.

A. M. A. ARC
NO. F1-4238
FISK UNIV.

S. A. Woodcock

Wellsville Allegany Co N.Y.
Dec. 15th 1873

Rev. Geo. Whipple
56 Reade Street New York

Dear Sir

I arrived at home safe that same evening and found friends waiting for me at the depot I endured the journey very well and do not feel any worse I am consulting with one of the first physicians of the place He expresses some doubt in reference to it being a cancer

I am to meet a counsel of Drs on Wed of this week It is of the Dr. opinion that for not to disturb it as long as I am not suffering from it. There is a cancer Dr. not far from here where I can have

it removed without a knife
if the Dr - pronounce it one
I am getting aclamated to the
cold by degrees. I endure it as
well as I expected - I think I
met the coldest weather when
I landed in New York
If I keep in I do not feel it much
as my friends have warm houses
to keep me warm
Please say to Mr. Whiting that I
have made enquires for that
medicine. "Hoffs extract of Malt" and
it is not to be had in any of the
drug stores in the place
If he would get me half a doz
bottles and send them on to
me I would be much obliged
Address to me. but to the care
of E. T. Woodcock. Wellsville Allegny
Co. N.Y. Genesee Station N.Y. Erie
R.R. Chap Jan. Mis. Dept Mis. Tr.
Gen.

I have not heard any thing from Jamaica yet.

I hope that the time is not far distant when, the Mission churches, will be placed on more permanant foundation than they are now. Brainard will go over to some other body as they are neglected by the one that is at the head. and that is one reason why the people are dissatisfied and are murmuring on that account. I must say that Mr Thompson does not spend much time with the churches but is frequent off for weeks away to look after his own affairs and family which lie full 40 miles from any of the Mission ch The Mission Station are going to decay, and if the buildings are not looked after the people

Miss L. A. Woodcock,
Wellsville, N. Y.
12-13-75

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people will soon be without a place of worship.
The people cannot and will not look after their buildings without some one to push them on, it must be line upon line &c. and that continually
But the buildings left to the people will soon tumble down that is a fact which all Mission ladies have to meet, and the prosperity of a church is only kept up where the Minister takes hold of and urg the people on to their duty in this respect.
And when Mr Thompson is not able to labor the churches will all run out if left to themselves
Mr. Thompson & Venning says that they will not labor under another body and that is the great difficulty in the question of transfer.
Yours. L. A. Woodcock

Mrs Say N. is out just now hope he will write you Mrs

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4339
FISK UNIV.

Due Jan 10th 77
Kingston Jamaica
December 1. 1876

To
H. W. Hubbard Esqr
Assistant Treasurer of the
American Missionary Association
56 Reade Street
New York

My Dear Sir

I have this day drawn on you for the sum of three hundred dollars at fifteen Days sight in Gold, in favour of Messrs Davidson Colthirst & Co, which kindly honour and oblige yours

$300 Gilbery truly

due 10 Jan 77 Jno Thompson
Treas of the
Jamaica Mission

J Thomp

Dec 1/76

J. Thompson
Kingston P.O. Ja[illegible]
C/o Messrs Ough[illegible] Parsiii
M[illegible]. 1876

To W. E. Whiting Esqu[illegible] Asst
Treasurer of th[illegible] American
Missionary [illegible]sociation

A. ARCHIVES
[illegible]-4340
UNIV

My Dear Brother
I have [illegible]ay
drawn on you, [illegible] fifteen
days sight, for [illegible] sum
of three hundred [illegible]ty seven
dollars and fif[illegible]ents; in
favour of Messrs Davidson
Colthurst & Co. which kindly
honour please, and charge
the same to the Jamaica
Mission. And oblige
yours very truly
Jno Thompson

L.
5-10-76
5-12-76

Henry B. Wolcott
Richmond
Jamaica

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EI-4341
FISK UNIV.

Richmond Jamaica W. I
Apr 28. 1876

Rev. W. E. Strong

My Dear Sir

I desire hereby to renew an application made last year for school work in the Southern States. Should any position offer I should be glad to be advised of it at an early date. Having taught for two years in Chattanooga I am not unknown to your society.

Another matter also prompts me to write you at this time.

It may not be out of place for one to call your attention to the deplorable state of the "American Mission" in this

Island. His dying condition certainly demands some prompt action. To thinking men here it would seem wiser to drop at once all care of the Churches and Stations ~~here~~ than to continue them in their present condition and system of management.

It seems a pity that one of your officers could not come here and visit these stations where so much labor and money have been expended and for which so many prayers have been offered and lives devoted.

my father's long connection
with the mission and
my consequent interest
in it must plead my
excuse for referring to
its present condition which
you can hardly realize

I am dear Sir
Yours faithfully
Henry B Holcott

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

C/o Messrs Oughton & Gardiner
Kingston Jamaica

June 1. 1876

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4342
FISK UNIV.

W. E. Whiting Esquire
Dear Brother

I have this day drawn on you, as assist Treasurer of the American Missionary Association, for the sum of Three hundred and Eighty dollars, Gold, kindly honor the same and oblige

Yours very truly
Jno Thompson

Which I trust you may find correct

You will observe that I have only charged at the rate of $62.50 pr quarter extra, to meet travelling and other expences, having charge of the whole Mission. This amount does not at all cover my extra expences but I wish not to take more.—

There are three items mentioned in your account under date April & May 1875 viz

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4343 FISK UNIV.

Freight $7.60
Miss Woodcock's papers 11.98
& Drugs &c 39.00 which I cannot deal with. Miss Woodcock said that she paid Mr Wilson before he left the island, as she doubtless told you when she returned home.

I thank you for your a/c to January.— in looking over your two accounts, I observe that the drafts have been rather heavy, incident partly on the return of two of your Missionaries. But in future I trust my drafts on your Treasury may be moderate.

When the school Inspections are over I hope to start for New York. Say by 1st Str in August.

I drew a bill yesterday for the sum of $380-Gold, which is included in the a/c above. Kindly honour same, and oblige yours very truly

Jno Thompson

c/o Messrs Oughton & Garbeie
Kingston Jamaica
June 2nd 1876

Issue Miss ok
Issue 1/75 to Jan 1/76
J Thompson
$188 [illegible]

The A M A in a/c with Jno Thompson
Treasurer of the Jamaica Mission

1875		S. B. W. ap to 1 Jun 75 is Balance		
Sep 1st	To Salaries 1 quarter			
	Venning	$187.50		
	Thompson	187.50		
	Woodcock	75.00		
	Extra travelling expences Thompson	62.50	$512 50 ✓	
Nov 15th	To Salaries 1 quarter			
	Venning	187.50		
	Thompson	187.50		
	Woodcock	75.00		
	Passage to N.Y. "	30.00		
	Extra travelling ex. Thompson	62.50	542 50 ✓	
1876				
Mar 1st	To Salaries 1 quarter			
	Venning	187.50		
	Thompson	187.50		
	" Extra	62.50	437 50 ✓	
June 1st	To Salaries 1 quarter			
	Venning	187.50		
	Thompson	187.50		
	" Extra	62.50	437 50 ✓	1930 00 ✓
1875				
June 7th	By my two drafts $115 & $217. S. B. Wilson			$332 00 ✗
Sep 1st	" Bill of exchange — Gold —			450 00 ✗
Nov 15th	" " " " "			550 00 ✗
1876				
Mar 1st	" " " " "			387 50 ✓
	" an order, favor of Thomas Aughton Esqr			12 50 ✓
June 1st	" Bill of exchange Gold —			380 00 ✓
				2112 — ✓
Jn 1	Bal due A M A. Nth			182
	Dear Bro Whiting			1930

The above is a statement of accounts with the Mission since the day Mr Wilson left us

which

Jno Thompson in a/c with the Treasurer of the A. M. A.

1876				
Aug 15	To Salaries			
	Venning	$187.50		
	Thompson	187 50	~~1930~~	
	Extra "	62.50	$437 " 50	
July 1	Bal due A M A			$182 –
" "	By Bill of exchange			$350.00 ×
	By Miss Collections. Jamaica Mission			.64.00 ×
Sept	Ch to J Thompson			100 –
July	" – – S B. Wilson			~~+100~~ –
Oct	P J. T.			150 –
Nov	– –			40 –

Wellsville N.Y. July 22. 1876

W E Whitney Esq
N.Y.

Dear Sir

My Sister Lucy A Woodcock. at this time is unable to write on the account of a severe attack of Neuraliga and is now unable to move from her bed without assistance - but her Prospects are for the better to day - She wishes you to send her One" dozen Bottels Extract Malt same as we sent last fall she thinks it helps her

Very Respectfully Yours

E T Woodcock

Send To Genesee Eri Ry.
To my care

Sent July 24/76

E T Woodcock
July 22/76

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. F1-4346
FISK UNIV.

c/o Aughton & Garsia
Kingston Jamaica
August 15th 1876

To
W. E. Whiting Esqr. 56 Reade Street
New York.

My Dear Brother

I have this day drawn on you for the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars in Gold, in favour of Messrs Davidson Colthurst & Co, for the acceptance of which I hope to thank you in person.

Yours very truly
Jno Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FH4346
FISK UNIV.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Wm. L. Whiting Esquire
56 Reade Street
New York

M. A. ARCHIVES
D-4347
UNIV.

Fairbault Minn

Sep 23. 1876

Dear Bro Witing

I have only drawn $50 — (fifty dollars) not $100, as previously intimated in favour of Wilson & Bro —

Yours very truly

Jno Thompson

Fairbault Minnesota
Sep 22. 1876

Dear Bro Whiting

Being far from New York and nearly out of funds I will ask Bro Wilson to accommodate me with $100 and give him an order on you for the amount, which do me the favor whonour and charge the same to the Jamaica Mission.

And oblige Dear Brother

Yours very truly

Jno Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-14348
FISK UNIV.

I Thought

Sept 22/70

Kingston Jamaica
March 2nd 1877

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4349
FISK UNIV.

H. W. Hubbard Esqr

Dear Brother

I have this day drawn on you, as assistant Treasurer of the American Missionary Association, for the sum of three hundred and twenty-five dollars ($325) in gold, in favour of Messrs Davidson Colthurst &c. which kindly honour and oblige.

Yours very truly

Jno Thompson

Report

J Thompson
Mch 2/77

Ans. Mch 21. 77

Kingston Jamaica
March 2. 1877

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4350
FISK UNIV.

Dear Bro Hubbard

I have this day drawn on you for $325 in favour of Messrs Davidson Calthrop & Co. kindly honour same please. and will you oblige me with a statement of my a/c to date?

Please say to Bro Shirley that I will write

write him fully by next mail. I could do so today but some of the papers I wish to refer to are at Brandon Hill

Love to you all

from yours very truly

Jno Thompson

P.S. What about "Downers Hope" land matter?

J.T.

EDW. E. WATERS,
COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
320 BROADWAY.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI4351
FISK UNIV.

NEW YORK, March 1st 1877.

Henry N. Hubbard Esq.
56 Reade St, City.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Berry has placed funds in my hands to pay the claim of Rev. Mr. Thompson of Ja. U.S. I will buy draft $98.87 gold, or send the money in any shape you may suggest.

Please inform me in what form you prefer to have the money.

The next direct mail to Ja. I have ascertained to be on 14th inst. I will see that you have the money in time to forward by this mail.

Very respectfully yrs. Edw. E. Waters

Edwd. E Waters
New York City
March 6. 1877.

Wm. Anderson -

ARCH. A-435 FISK UN

Jamaica W. I.

Richmond 20th May 1877

Dear Mr Hubbard

This is to introduce to you the Rev. James Martin a minister in connection with the missionary work of the Scotch U. Presbyterians in Jamaica

Kindly introduce him to the friends and officers of the A. M. A. and show him any attentions you can during his short stay in New York for which I should be greatly obliged.

Mr Martin will be able to answer any question you put concerning me

Very Truly Yours

H. B. Wolcott

Rev. H. B. Wolcott
Jamaica W.I.
May 20. 1877

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4353
FISK UNIV.

Golden Spring Post Office
Jamaica
Sep 21 1877
Geo Thompson

H. W. Hubbard Esqr
Dear Brother

I have drawn on you this week for $162.50 at 15 days, being the amount of Mr Venning's quarterly allowance according to Bro Strieby's instructions. but I have drawn nothing for the mission, as you said in your last that I was not "authorized" to do so.

You will be glad to read it, as I am to write it that we enjoy much prosperity in the three small churches under my Pastoral care and I am sure the change has been for good, the contributions given towards my support are small, but given willingly, and the cause is growing and improving gradually.

What I want is a little immediate help. Will the A.M.A. just give

give me a small amount, say one quarters Salary as a parting gift?

Please address Goleta Spring Post office, and put a 5 cents stamp on your letter, you see I had to pay a fine of 15 cents on your last letter for short postage.

I use the word "parting" in a pecuniary sense, we need not part company.

Kindly submit this note to Mrs Strieby with my love, and let me have a final reply, please.

My kind love to all at the Rooms

from yours very truly
Jno Thompson

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-1354
FISK UNIV.

Brandon Hill
Golden Spring P.O.
Jamaica
1 Octr 1877

Rev M. E. Strieby

Dear Brother

Allow me to introduce to you Mr James G. Kedslie who is a Brother in the Lord and a fellow labourer on the Mission field.

Mr Kedslie was formerly a Minister in the Episcopal Church, has laboured for some time in a distant parish in this island, but more recently at Chesterfield, one of our Mission Stations, which he has left for the want of support. Mr K is now about to visit your great country with a view

to

To Mission work there
or elsewhere as the Lord
in his Providence may
show the way. will you
kindly advise him
And oblige
Dear Brother
Yours Very truly
Jno Thompson

B.] Rev. Jno. Thompson
Jamaica

10- Kedelie.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Rev Geo D Pike
Sec. A.M.A.
56 Reade st
New York

✓ E. S. Woodbridge
Binghamton (N.Y.) July 14

Dear Sir,

In 1849 Jacob Steward a colored man with wife & one child sailed from N. York for Kingston Jamaica with Rev. Lorin Thompson missionary of your Board, whose field was near K.

I have not heard from Jacob for about 10 years & think he is dead; but as he had a wife & several children when last heard from, probably some of them survive

Can you not give me the address of the missionary at that station through whom I can learn something of Jacob or his family

Yours truly

E. S. Woodbridge

A. M. A. ARC.
NO. FI-4855
FI-K UN

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4356
FISK UNIV.

		Shares	Cash	note				
1	Olds	1	$5.		Mrs Rose Smith	Syracuse	N.Y.	
2	"							
3	"							
4	"							
5	"							
6	"							
7	"							
8	"	2	$10		Sam Mc Farland	Washington	Pa	
9	"	1	$5		Mrs Sarah Putnam	Elyria	O.	
10	"	10		$50	dea Alfred Beecher	Oberlin	O	
11	"	1	$5		Tho F. Husted	Elyria	O.	
12	"	5		$25	Judge Hamlin	do	do	
13	"	1	$5		dea And. Stanley	Knoxville	Ky	in $90
14	"	2	$10.		Hy A. Brewster	Rochester	N.Y.	in $90
15	"							
16	"							
17	"							
18	"							
19	"							
20	"							
21	Richardson	20	$103		Church of Xt. Lenox,	Lenox	O.	
22	"	5	$25.31		Mrs Sarah T. Lord	Wayne	O.	
23	"	1	$5		Sam Jones Senior	"	"	
24	"	20	$100		Sam Plumb	Lenox	"	
25	"	20	$100		Salmon Hills & Wife	Eagleville	"	

Returned 24 Sept 1866

		Shares	Cash	Note				
26	Richardson	5	$25		Peter M. Bissell	Austinburg	Ohio	
27	"	2	$10		Calvin Andrews	Wayne	"	
28	"	2	$10		Sylvester Ward	"	"	
29	"	2	$10		Tabez Fobes	"	"	
30	"	1	$5		Mrs Dilly Brockway	"	"	
31	"	5	$25		G. W. St. John	Morgan	"	
32	"	2	$10		Ira B. Cutts	Hartford	"	
33	"	10	$50		Myron Whiting	Austinburg	"	
34	"	1	$5		S. J. Baker	Hartford	"	
35	"	1	$5		S. C. Baker	"	"	
36	"	10	$50		Rev. A. M. Richardson	Lenox	"	
37	"	1	$5		David Fisher	Franklin	Mass	
38	"	1	$5		Elisha Richardson	"	"	
39	"	1	$5		Rev Saml Hunt	"	"	
40	R. to M.	1	$5		Mrs Abby Hunt	"	"	
41	R. to Moffat	1	$5		Josiah A. Broughton	Gainsville	N.Y.	
42	R. to Moffat	1	$5		Mrs Townsend?			Mrs Townsend of has one — it may be this
43	do							One was left with M. Seely of Hainsville O., but he has mislaid it. It may be this
44	do	1	$5		Chs A. Avery	Painsville	Ohio	
45	do	1	$5		Herman Williams	"	"	
46	do	2	$10		Nathl Blakeley	Madison	"	
47	do	1	$5		Antoinette M. Stebbins	Dryden	N.Y.	
48	do							One was left with Mr Lyman of Madison, who has mislaid it. It may be this
49	do							Mr M. cant tell whether he came of one, it may be this.
50	Richardson	1	$5		Mrs Mary E. Ide	West Medway	Mass	
51	do	1	$5		Miss Sally Fisher	Franklin	"	

52	Richardson	1	$5		E. F. Richardson	Franklin	Mass	
53	do	1	$5		S. M. Kendall	Worcester	"	
54	do	1	$5		S. Perry	Ashland	"	
55	do	1	$5		Tho. Tucker	Worcester	"	
56	do	1	$5		Sarah A. Brewer	Ashland	"	
57	R. to Moffat							
58	do							
59	do							
60	Richardson							A M R. writes to A M Ma 4 Aug '56 says he will try to find [illegible]
61	do	1	$5		Rev Wm M. Thayer	Ashland	Mo	
62	do	1	$5		Dexter Rockwood	"	"	
63	do	1	$5		Susan Goodwin	"	"	
64	do							
65	do							
66	do to M	1	$5		A. A. Smith	Austenburg	O.	See Moffat's letter 5 June '56.
67	do "	1	$5		Wm Burton	do	do	Mr R. has this [illegible] A M 29 July 1856 Burton not [illegible]
68	do "	1	$5		A. O. Merrill ~~A. Ockerrill~~	Austenburg	O.	See Moffat's letter 5 June '56
69	do "	1	$5		Geo. F. ~~Shield~~ Sadd	"	"	ditto
70	do "	1	$5		Lewis Austin	"	"	ditto
71	do "	5	$	Note	Oliver Webb	"	"	ditto
72	do "	1	$5	Note	Robt McMillan	"	"	ditto
73	do to M							A Moffat says July 3/56 [illegible]
74	do "							do
75	do "							do
76	do "							do
77	do "							do

		Shares	Cash	Note				
78	Richardson to M							
79	do "							A. Moffat says July 3/56 on hand
80	do "							do
81	Moffat	2	$10		Wm. Hanford Jr	Dryden P. O. Etna	N.Y.	do
82	"	2	$10 given		Sarah D. Chalfield	Painted Post	"	
83	~~do~~							
84	Moffat	1	$5		~~D. C. Hazen~~ Robt B. Howland	~~Ithaca~~ Union Springs	N.Y.	
85	do	1	$5		John E. Williams	Aurora	"	
86	do	1	$5		Jacob B. Larzeline	Canoga	"	
87	do	1	$5		Geo. W. Bockover	do	"	
88	do	1	$5		D. C. Hazen	Ithaca	"	
89	do	2	$10		Slocum Howland	Poplar Ridge	N.Y.	
90	do	2	$10		John Searing	do	do	
91	do	1	$5		Sebastian Chatham	Seneca Falls	N.Y.	
92	do	1	$5		Benj. S. Halsey	Ithaca	N.Y.	
93	do	1	$5		Jos. Esty	Ithaca	N.Y.	
94	Seth T. Wolcott							
95	do							
96	do							
97	do							
98	do							
99	do							
100	do							
101	do							
102	do							
103	do							
104	do							

Sheet No 2

A. M. A. ARTS NO. FI-1352 FISK UNIV.

		Share	Cash	Note				
105	S. J. Wolcott							
106	do							
107	do							
108	do							
109	do							
110	do							
111	do							
112	do							
113	do							
114	do							
115	do							
116	do							
117	Moffat	This was filled out to Humphry Howland Aurora N.Y. but at his request No 119 was filled up to Mr Wood instead of it.						
118	do	1	$5		Dr Lamkin Ledyard	Aurora	N.Y.	
119	do	1	$5		John H. Wood	"	"	
120	do	1	$5		Cyrenus Whaler	Poplar Ridge	"	
121	do	1	$5		P. H. White	King's Ferry	"	
122	do	1	$5		Elihu Slocum	Aurora	"	
123	do	This was burned up writes Mr Moffat 29 Jul 1856 because Mrs Jane C. Gould of Aurora N.Y. whose name it bore feared she might be responsible &c						
124	do	1	$5		Wm L. Smith	Canoga	"	
125	do	1		note	Geo. Duplex	Danby	"	
126	do	1	$5		A. L. Smith	Canoga	N.Y.	
127	do	1	$5		John King	Aurora	"	in Moffat's letter it is John King Ledyard &c
128	do	1	$5		Benj Gould	"	"	
129	do	1		note	Cyrus J. Williams	Danby	"	
130	do	1	[illegible]	note	Asa Hollister	Groton	"	

		Share	Cash	note			
131	Moffat	1	$5		Mrs Hannah Mandeville	Danby	N.G
132	do	1	$5		Henry Gaple	"	"
133	do	1	$5		Wm A. Gunderman	Danby	N.G
134	do	1		note	Solon Bill	"	"
135	do	1	$5		Reuben Woodford	Danby	N.G
136	do	1		note	Saml Jennings	"	"
137	do	1	$5		Amasa Barrows	Groton	N.G
138	do	1	$5		Adin Morton	do	do
139	do	1		note	Linus Cogswell	do	do
140	do	1	$5		Lyman Lovain	Groton	N.G.
141	do	1		note	Alex. J. Gray	Peruville	"

Oath of certificate
sent to Messrs
Olds, Richardson & Moffat
and receipts for the same

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4358
FISK UNIV.

S. T. Wolcott

Mr. Venning requests
to order for him

3 doz. Sabbath School Bells
1 Vol. Barnes Notes. Eph. Phil. Col.
For Venning Wilson. Shoe Brighton
& others
6 Barrels Warren's Roof Cement
none of the Felt

112 John
112 John

I am shipping this 5th July
7 packages Books, wearing
apparel & bedding and one Melodeon
Addressed — F. J. Douglass
Care of
Rev George Whipple
61 John Street
New York —

I inclose Bill Lading
N.B. In writing Mr Douglass
Please say — Find Keys in flower Bbl
Shippers will be responsible only
to land goods in New York —
It is a necessity for me to address to
Sec. Whipple to secure safety to the goods
& redirection to Mr Douglass —
S. T. Wolcott

6 Bbls $30.00
Box $20.00

SEVENTH A.M.A. ON ARCHIVES

For Mr Wolcott

Mahew 2 doz Cane Mill Irons
1 " Peices to be got at Mayhews after the pattern of Mr Wolcott's, from which castings were maid in October 1843

Bought { 2 doz Mens India Rubbers No 7-8-9
1 " Ladies " " " 3-4-5

" | 1 " No 10 cut tacks
1 " " 12 " "

x kegg cut nails ~~No 4~~
~~1~~ " " " ~~6~~
~~1~~ " " " ~~8~~

Bukings 32 Cliff 1 " " " 10

Mahew 3 Sets Hatchel teeth to be selected by Dr Barrett
197 Water Get them at Cocker's in Johnson near Gold

A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FI-4359 FISK UNIV.

72 — 10 720
~~108~~ 85 — 5 425
~~1144~~ 1145

$10

Rev. S. L. Woolcott.

✓

Order for goods.

Purchased & sent

Woolcott's
Order

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FL-4360
FISK UNIV.

Dear Sister Woodcock

Mr. Douglass wishes me to give you a caution about our letters lest from the warm weather they seal themselves & make trouble if your satchel should be inspected. I told him you could put them up by laying the whole pack together with their last fold left open instead of turned down in its place. I had no time to add anything to sister's letter.

Miss Woodcock

Miss Treat

I wrote to Mrs. Whipple last night asking him to send me my side saddle. That I could do with out room furniture & a horse by using other peoples but a saddle I need & wish they would send by the first opportunity. Wont you tell him about it. That I have used Mrs. Wobcotts but cannot rely on it any longer. Good by. God bless & keep you & bring you back again yours aff. sister

P. E. Trial.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO.
FISK UNIV.

John Phillips
Jamaica W. I.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4361
FISK UNIV.

Education.

1st. What is education.
2. What is the use of education
3. When must one be educated.

1st Education is acquired learning of some degree; it is when the mind is stored & elevated with knowledge to such an extent that one may be said to be educated in all his manners, habits, & deportment
2. Education is useful. It is useful in teaching others; for the more education a teacher has the better will he be able to instruct others. It opens to men the store houses of nature, helps them to pry & search into things hidden from the ignorant & ancient. Education secures to us one living; guides & brightens our intellect, fits us for the different relations & responsibilities of life. Education helps us to look with disgust pity upon every thing that low & grovling & with admiration upon every thing that is good & pleasant. It also sweetens & polishes the conversation of the educated & gives taste to their walks, attitudes & gestures. It is

the chief thing which distinguishes the barbarous from the civilized, the ignorant from the learned. Education is useful also in godliness for the bible says it is not for a person to be without knowledge is not good; so one with it will be able to please God & carry on his kingdom in this world. Education or knowledge will elevate a people or nation in every respects; it makes them demand their rights legally & respectfully. It is truly the true alchemy that turns every thing it touches into gold; it is perhaps the main prop-holder of virtue & architect of science; how useful then is education. But what will become of our beloved Island if we are not all educated; but we pray to God for the outpouring of his holy spirit upon this land.

3. (When must one be educated) One must begin to be educated in childhood; as soon as a child is able to think it must be taught to be obedient & truthful; by this way the mind is being prepared or educated for book knowledge

Written by John Phillips
examined to assist Mr. Venning.

lieu of that granted last year and which I did not use, remaining a year longer in the mission. I supposed therefore it had the general effect of furloughs, namely to continue the pecuniary benefits of a connection during a certain term while dispensing with its labors. Accordingly I have presented the bill according to the claims that would have accrued in Jamaica during the same time, which would entitle me to the sums accruing Sept 1st & Dec 1st with liberty to change my relations during the last quarter. In short I have supposed that my connection with the Society stood on just the same footing during this permitted term of recreation as during the same time of labor, and have interpreted that footing according to the general practice of the Mission, supposing the extension of the last quarter's salary over the whole of the quarter during which the connection was severed to have respect to the smallness of our salaries at best.

Rev. C. C. Starbuck.

A. M. A. in C. C. Starbuck Dr.

To Salary for quarter beginning June 1 due June 1	$ 109.50
To Salary for quarter beginning Sept 1. due Sept 1	$ 109.50
To Salary for quarter beginning Dec 1. due Dec 1	109.50
Total	$328.50

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I have supposed the effect of the six months' leave was to grant me two quarters' salary more than I should have been entitled to had I come home without leave. According to the general practice in our Missions a quarter's salary becomes due at the beginning of the quarter. I supposed therefore that coming home in June, the six months' leave entitled me to the two quarters' salary succeeding.

I supposed moreover that this particular leave which was granted me in

Mr. Halls Salary seems to have been paid in Jamaica, March 1/60
The same is true of Mr. Hoppin.

They arrived in New York May 17th bringing recommendation from the Mission that the Apocn. should allow Mr Hall one years salary, and Mr Hoppin six months.

The Com. (Rec. Book p 161) voted to Mr Hall, for six months, and Mr Hoppin for three months, each "from the time they severally closed their labors at the Mission"

In the settlement with them the account stood thus.

Mr Hall, allowance of salary 280.00
less 1/8 of a yr. p. in Jam - 70.00 $210.00

Mr Hoppin.
One quarters salary $105.00
less p. in allowance 52.50 $52.50.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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March 14, 1860. The Ex. Com. had before them the recommendation of the Jam. Mission, as follows,

"Res. that the Mission recommend that Bro. Starbuck have leave of absence for six months, to visit home, and that in view of the short time proposed, his ocean expenses one way should be met by the Association. (Approved)

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✓ Henry D Platt Yale College New Haven Connecticut	A strong abolitionist and ever ready to engage in his Masters work where or what ever it may be.
✓ James Weller Yale College Conn	Is devotedly pious and strictly orthodox. Always doing good
✓ Wm Mellen Yale College Conn	Has been an engineer in the underground Railroad and always breathes a missionary spirit
Alanson T Wood Auburn Seminary Cayuga Co N Y	An excellent man and favorable to every good cause
Robert Hunter Hendrow Western Reserve no such P.O. Ohio	Is a devoted christian and a decided friend to the cause of freedom Did think of going as a missionary and for aught I know does now.
✓ William L Andrews Mission Institute Near Quincy Illinois	Is strong antislavery willing to die in the cause and makes religion an every day business Has a faithful help meet One year more to study

✓ George F Davis Lane Seminary. Cincinnati Ohio	Another devotedly pious young man. and a good scholar Did think think of laboring among the Catholics
✓ John Reynard Lane Seminary Ohio	Is brother in law to Dr Terrel of Jamaica A zealous defender of the cause of freedom and a warm hearted speaker on any subject in which his heart is enlisted. Has a good wife
✓ John G Rankin Lane Ohio	Is the nephew of the celebrated Rev J Rankin of Ohio and walks in his footsteps
✓ John Allyn Lane Seminary Ohio	A good scholar an interesting speaker and a consistent every day christian
✓ William Herrit Lane Seminary Ohio	Thinks of devoting his life to the cause of the seamen. very good.

These young men are all abolitionists and I think favor the free board and most if not all studied with the intention of becomeing missionaries

Mrs Mary Dean ✓ Mignon Institute Near Quincy Illinois	Her mothers address.

Mrs Mary Dean
Mission Institute
Near Quincy
Illinois

My Mothers address
You will not sent any money
to her till February

1 Women whose hearts can feel
Who wish your country's weal
Come use your pens of steel
To plead her rights
Let freedom be your theme
Pource in one mighty stream
Till liberty shall beam
Where slavery blights

2 Like England's daughters brave
Arise your land to save
From dark oppressions grave
Ere she expires
Then raise your voices high
Nor let proud freedom die
While flash in womans eye
Sweet precious fires

3 A mighty phalanx form
Nor fear to front the storm
Of southern weapons warm
All stained with blood
Three million bondmans wail
Is heard on every gale
The oppressors ranks assail
And break his rod

4 'Tis Heavens high decree
That all men shall be free
That glorious time will be
Not distant far
If woman but begin
To speak against the sin
And send petitions in
To congress bar.

5 But should her voice be hushed
Should womans pen be crushed
Because her pale cheek blushed
At slavery's stain
Then let the stones cry out
And earth prolong the shout
With all the throngs devout
Let freedom reign.

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A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. 17-1366
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Miss M. Dean.

poetry

Rev George Whipple
No 22 Spruce st
New York

Wanted for Current Expenses:

Brainerd Station.

Ministers Salary $450.00
Teachers' — " — 375.00
$825.00

Less —
Contrib by people 300.
School Grants 175.
pdby Children — 125. 600.00 — $225.00

Cool Shade —

Teachers Salary $200 — at Present Miss N.

Less
Children — $50
Grants — $50 $100.00 — $1[illegible]

Eliot Station.

Ministers $400.00
Teacher 275.00
$675.00

Less
Cont. by people 200. $
School Grants. 125.
" Children 75 400. — 275.00
$600.00

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Bet for $600.00 –

Union Station.

Minister – $400 00
Teacher 200 00
$600 00

Less
Cont ty People $150. – 00
School grants 75. 00 –
" fees 50. 275.00 $325.00

Devon Pen –
Teachers Salary – 275 $
Less
Grants – to School 100.
fees – " 75 $175 – 100.00

Obertin Station.

Minister. $450.00
Teacher 275.00
725.00

Less
Rose Mt. $150.00
Cont: Peoples 150.00
School grants 150.00
Children 75.00 525.00. 200.00

$1425.00

$1225.00.

Providence.

Teachers (Mr Hyde) $425.00.

Sep

Children $100.00

Sch Grants. 125.00 — 225.00. — $200.00.

$1425.00

Buildings — This year.

Brainerd — $750.00

Union — 250.00

Oberlin — 500.00

Eliot — 300.00 — 1800.00

$3225.00

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Renshaw Estimate
of Expences.
at Jam. Miss^n

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$ 1225.00

Brought.

Received [illegible] $ 425.00

Left

Children $ 100.00

Ice Fund. 125.00 225.00 $ 200.00

$ 1425.00

54
5/8

Buckeye - [illegible]

Brownsville - $ 750.00

Union - 250.00

Gibson - 500.00

Elliot - 300.00 1800.00

$ 3225.00

Miss Veasy.

Will go out to do any thing the Mission desire, & teach either at Sea View
" Cherlapeake
or will aid Mrs Holcott at Richmond

Recommended by
G. Whipple
L. Thompson.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-11368
FISK UNIV.

Miss Rebecca B. Deany
West Randolph
Mass.

John McDonald, care (Dr Bellorthe)
Saratoga, N.Y.

Supposed { Age 30. carpenter } been married 6 or 8 years
{ Wife do 27. ——— } no children.

He is very good at cabinet making,
Will be ready to do anything for the good of the mission. Mrs McD an educated teacher. He will teach the boys a trade.

L.T. thinks Sea View. Mrs. McD a teacher, and he follow his business. Would find more than he could do.

At Richmond, wanted Teachers house, School building to be finished and refringed. Dormitory for girls. Kitchen &c.

Mrs. McD. could help Mrs Wolcott.

Brandon Hill needs some carpenters work.

Aside from the Mission work, there is more work than he could do.

He proposes to go out as a carpenter. wants the Asso to advance the money $ (125. / 150) as he refunding if not employed as a Missionary proper. Will engage to work on the Mission buildings to repay it, at any rate.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-11869
FISK UNIV.

J. McDonald

Jamacia Mission – Mr T J Woolcott

One bed quilt	$ 6.00
One bed quilt	5.50
Nine chemise	6.75
Two pair of fine short night gowns	9.00
Four pair of shirts	9.00
One bed quilt	5.50
One bed quilt	4.50
[redacted] pair of pillow cases	2.00 – 4 pair
Three pair of sheets $ 1.50 per pair	4.50
	40.75

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4370
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From the Ladies Sewing Society of the Union Cong Church
North Brookfield. Mass.

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4371
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Richmond Metcalf Parish
Jamaica W.I.

The Richmond Industrial School was established in Feb. 1865 by the American Missionaries, with the sanction and aid of the American Missionary Association 61 John Street N.York. It was designed to meet a growing want, not only in the educational department of our mission but also on behalf of education generally in the island - to give to the common people an opportunity to obtain by their own industry the rudiments of a thorough christian education. While it is emphatically a manual labor institution, it is such with distinct reference to the highest intellectual & moral culture practicable with the condition of the class for which it was designed.

It does not propose to fit men & women for the mere instruments of labor, but to endeavor to gain a higher medium of civilization, by raising the common laborer to the rank & condition of intelligent and useful citizens. - To create, as Englishmen would say, a large middle class, the nerve and muscle of social wealth. In striving to attain our object thus far we have been hindered greatly by lack of suitable accommodations and of means by which to secure them. The number benefitted has of course been proportionally small. The number of scholars has ranged from 20 to 50 - At new

stands at 35 mostly members of the mission family - a less number from other families ~~de~~ in this school now than at some former periods. All the branches of a good common school are pursued, with Physiology & Latin in which latter a class of seven is making commendable progress. As a basis of operation an abandoned sugar property was purchased with a two fold object - to furnish land for the institution, and to give the people an opportunity to provide themselves freeholds. One Hundred Acres of the most valuable part of the property is held by Deed of trust for the permanent use of the institution an equal amount, or more, is in reserve for future use if desirable. Some 200 acres have been allotted to small settlers, leaving now for sale in lots to suit purchasers over 600 acres. The Superintendent & present head master of the school is the legal proprietor of the unsold portion of the estate, and is pledged to dispose of it with strict regard to the interests of the school, and with the advice & sanction of its Trustees. The Estate was purchased mainly by contributions loaned by friends to the enterprise who hold or have held for the same, scrip, or bonds redeemable by the estate. Some of these bonds have been redeemed. A considerable number have been canceled in whole or in part by the holders generously relinquishing their claims in contributions to create a building fund

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We have thus been relieved in part from the embarrassment consequent on a lack of sufficient or suitable buildings; having in addition to school room & boys dormitory a plain substantial dwelling house one story of wood, iron roofed, with spacious verandas, all upon a basement story of stone 58X40 feet.

In addition to other contributions we have received important aid from Government grants for educational purposes. Towards the erection of the house just finished the American Missionary Association has furnished the help of a Mission Carpenter. He is still on the ground and will be prepared to aid further in construction of buildings, if the necessary means in material &c. can be furnished. The old still house transformed into a school room & dormitory, requires a new roof immediately. We propose to reconstruct the old one, and by adding a few feet to the height of the walls, and inserting timbers & flooring, provide a second story with rooms for students & for other purposes, making a flattish roof & covering with felt & cement. It is also our earnest desire to construct a wholly new but small building for students' rooms during the present year, looking forward to the erection of one of more academic style & proportions whenever our ability will allow — For these immediate necessities we require above what is now

at our command not less than two thousand dollars. We shall build as fast as we are able, but dare not go in debt. Our earnest desire is, and I trust our unremitting efforts will be, to work up our institution to something worthy of the end proposed — a fitting model of its kind. For this we must make known our object and obtain the cooperation of our friends. Let this be our apology for calling attention to ourselves. We are the more solicitous to gain the ear of individual friends since the present contest with American Slaveholders has opened so wide a field and demands so largely the funds of the A. M. Ass^n that we feel indisposed to press our claims on the Association as we otherwise might.

Besides, our special work demands an increased building fund which is less within the objects of the A. M. A than the support of living missionaries for whom there now comes so great a demand. $10.000 would be a low estimate for buildings to put the institution in good working order & make its advantages inviting to those who need them but we propose to approach this estimate by degrees and as urgent pressure from without requires. Such pressure is now upon us for $2.000 to meet our immediate building necessities. More children & youth are asking admission than we have suitable rooms to accommodate. We regret the necessity for turning away any. With this brief statement we

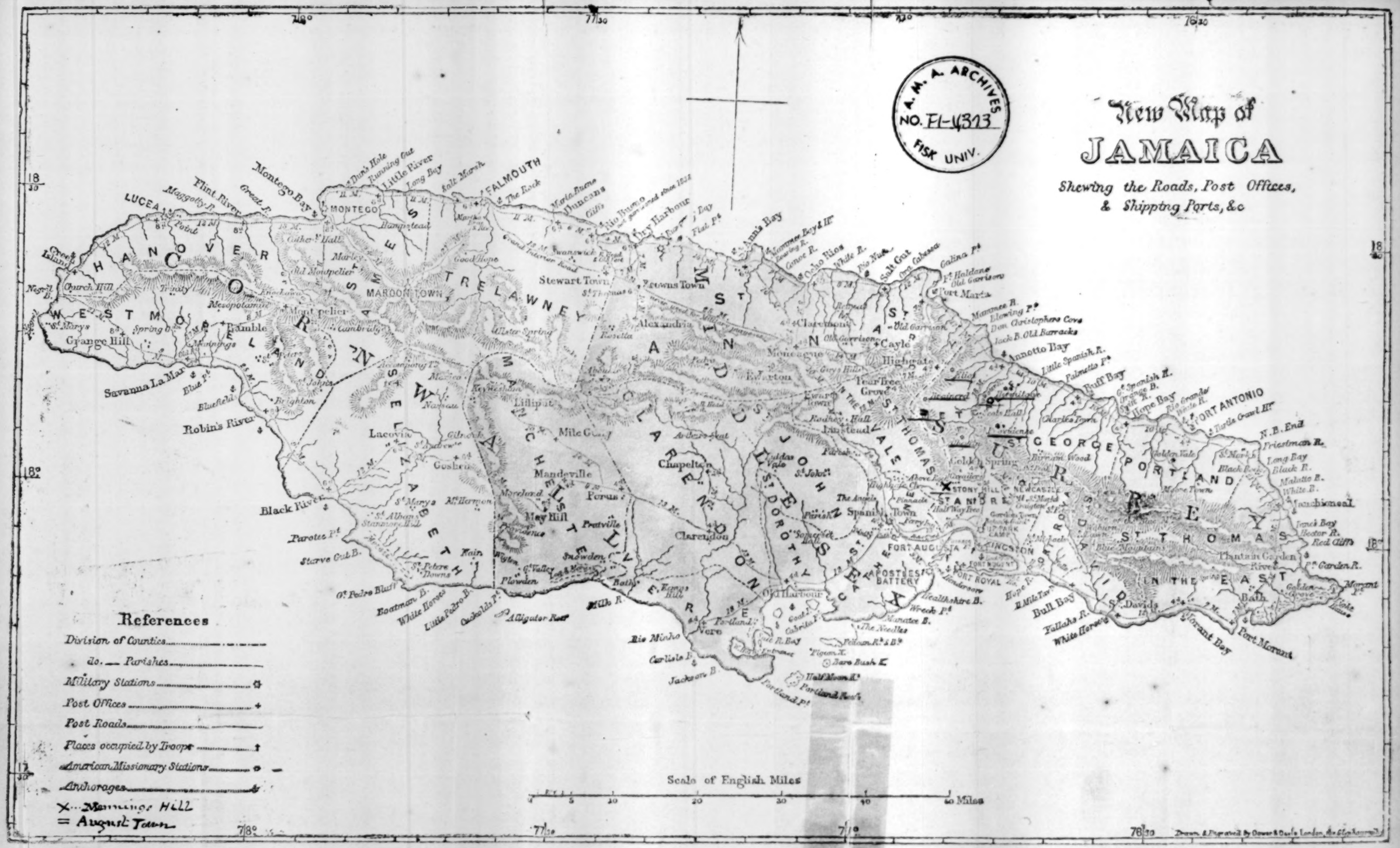
A. M. A. ARCHIVES NO. FISK UNIV.

commend our enterprise to your generous consideration and to Him whose care is over all.

On behalf of the Committee
Seth T. Wolcott (Chairman + Superintendent of School

S. T. Wolcott

Richmond Industrial Sch.



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O. Chesterfield

A. M. E. ARCHIVES
NO. A-1374
FISK UNIV.

Stations	Whole Number Aug. 1st 1870	Received by Profession of Faith	Restored	Excommunicated	Discontinued by Letter	Whole Number Aug. 1st 1871	Infants baptized	Number in Connexion	Number in Sabbath School	Number in Day School	Contributions for Religious purposes
Eliot	56	7	1		0	60		175	85	20	
Richmond.	I am			not	able	to	give	statistics	of		
					Richmond,						

Kingston. 42 Maiden Lane

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4375
FISK UNIV.

Rev. G. Shirley

Dear Brother

This will be handed to you by the Rev. James Redslie who has been laboring for the last ten months at Chesterfield, my old field of labor - in pastoral charge of the Church there. He now seeks work in some part of the Lord's vineyard in the U. States - here or there as God in His Providence may direct. From occasional interviews I have

had with Mr K. & from all that I have heard of his labors among the people at Chesterfield, I have good reason to believe that he is a faithful & devoted Minister of the Gospel of Christ.

I remain Dear Brother

Your's faithfully

C. B. Fleming

B J. C. B. Venning
Kingston
Kedslie- W. I

Revd G Strieby

Report of Mennings Hill School.

Our School was opened in May 1870, and has always passed favourably at each Government Inspection

The number of children at present is

Boys	57
Girls	36
Total	93

A.N.A.A. NO. FI-4376

Average Attendance 73

Fees collected since January 1st. to March 31st. £ 5 " 4 " 0

The school was Inspected on the 10th. of March & I have reason to hope it passed "Second Class".

Our Sabbath School numbers 95 and I am glad to say that we enjoy much Spiritual prosperity and that I am happy in my work as Teacher of the Day School & Superintendant of the Sab. School.

John L. Kelly

John L. Kelly
Manning Hill.
Jamaica Miss.
Report of School.

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NO. FI-4376
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Churches And Schools	Members: Males	Members: Females	Members: Total	Additions: Profession	Additions: Letter or restored	Additions: Total	Removals: Dismissed	Removals: Excommunicated	Removals: Deaths	Removals: Total	No in Congregation	No in Sab school	Contributions	Whole No in Day School	Average Attendance	Labourers
Brainerd	63	130	193	27	2	29	..	5	6	11	450	130	$80	132	64	Jno Thompson Pastor, Martin Harris Teacher
Manning's Hill	24	44	68	5	5	10	1	..	2	3	300	100	$60	98	62	" " " John L. Kelley "
August Town	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	$20	139	75	" " Manager — James Rennie — "
Eliot	20	24	44	..	..	..	..	1	2	3	100	100	$20	64	38	Mr John McLeod (acting) L. J. Bishop — "
Brandon Hill	33	42	75	-	1	1	-	-	2	2	200	100	$45	135	113	Mr Chamberlain — Teacher
Providence	20	28	48	8	-	8	-	1	-	1	100	50		47	30	Mr Davis — "
Chestnut			93													
			121													

Report of the
Churches and
Schools in the
Jamaica Mission
under the care
of
Jno Thompson

Rec'd Aug 17

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Papers,

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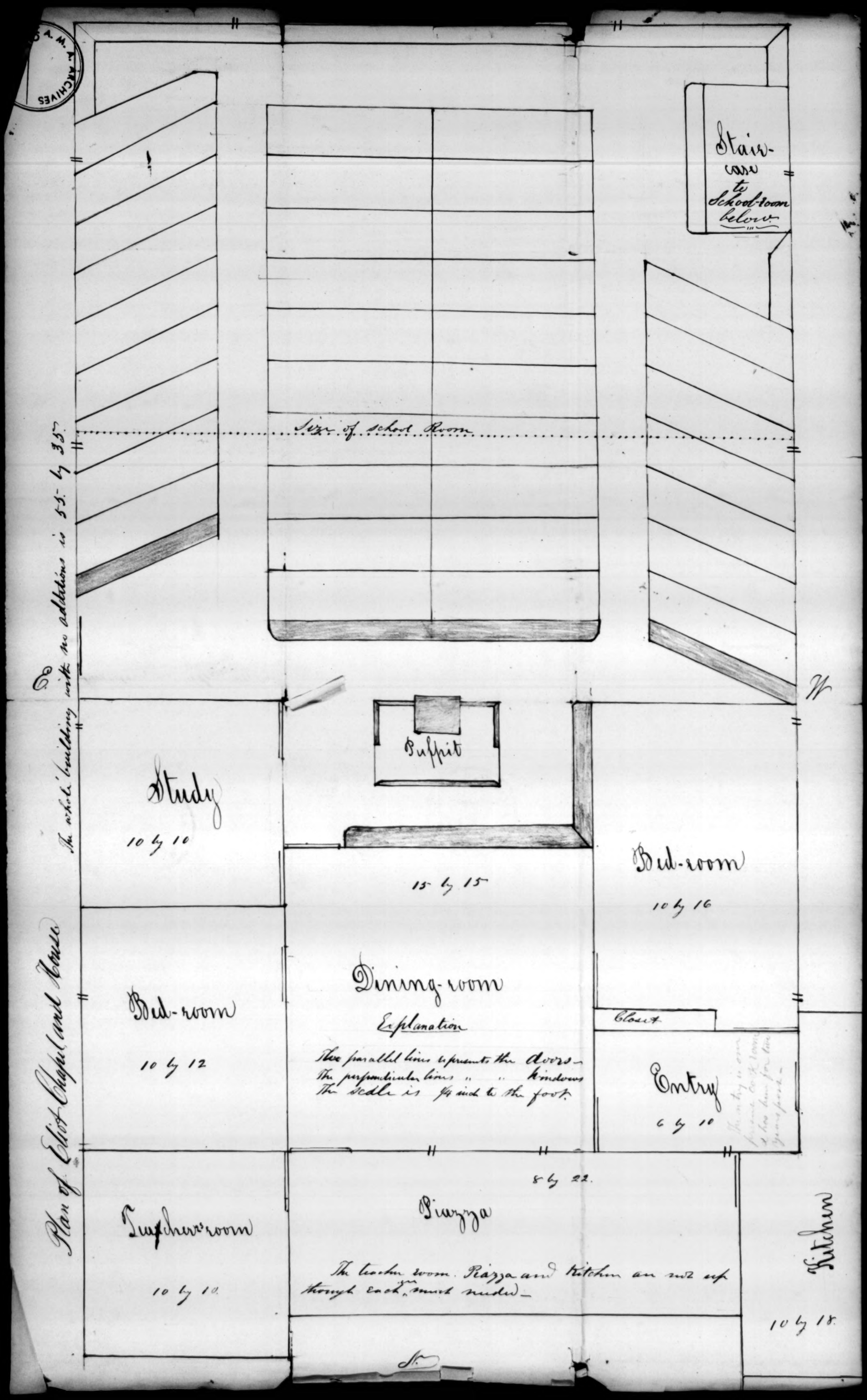
Plan of Eliot Chapel and House
The whole building with no additions is 55 by 35
E
W
Stair-case to School-room below
Size of school Room
Pulpit
Study
10 by 10
15 by 15
Bed-room
10 by 16
Bed-room
10 by 12
Dining-room
Explanation
The parallel lines represents the doors
The perpendicular lines " " windows
The scale is 1/4 inch to the foot.
Closet
Entry
6 by 10
The entry is one person 60 th room & has been for two years past
8 by 22.
Teacher's room
10 by 10.
Piazza
The teacher room. Piazza and Kitchen are not up through each year much needed
Kitchen
10 by 18.
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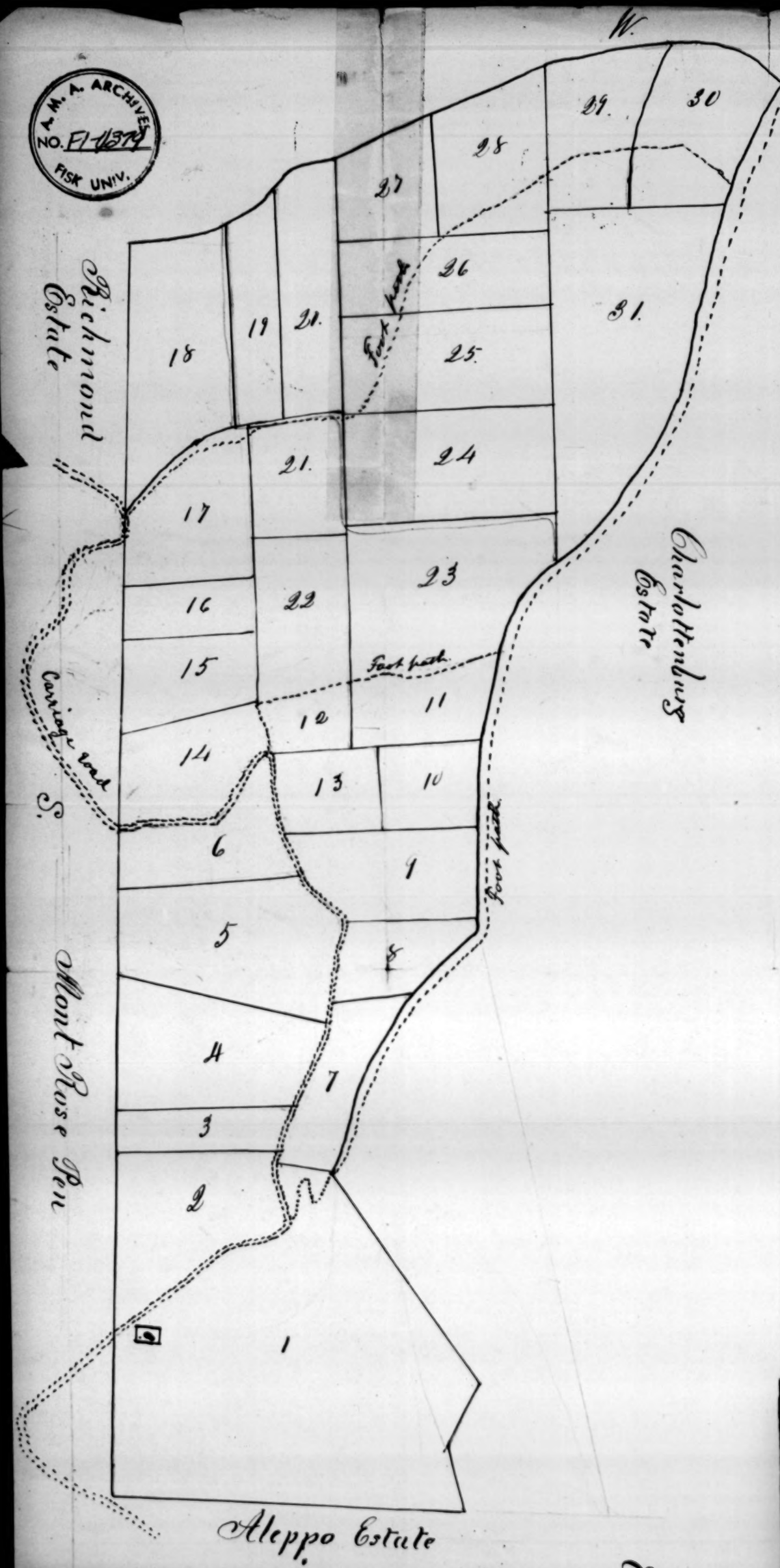

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No.	Names —	Acreage A	R	P
1.	Eliot land	14	3	33
2	Thomas Smith	3	1	12
3.	Thomas M. Livingston	1		
4.	John Muck	3	3	
5	Baily Francis	4	2	
6.	Jackey Smith	2	1.	
7.	Robins Furgnson	1	3	
8.	Luthera Charles	1	2	
9.	Charles Edward	2	2	24
10	Cecelia Henry	1	2	
11	Laurance Smith	1	2	
12	Tilish Francis	1		
13	Buckford Moore	2		
14.	Thomas Lee	2	2	
15	John Phill Livingston	2		
16	George Valentine	1		
17	Leantha McCloud	3		
18	Angus McKenzie	4		
19.	Alex. McKee	1	2	
20.	David Hall	2		
21.	John Thompson	2		
22.	Hinton East	2	2	
23	Oxford Hamilton	5		
24.	James Sharp	4		
25.	Jeffry Elvin	3.	2.	33
26.	Devonshire Latonde	2	3	6
27.	Florance Davis	2		
28	Edward M. Farland	3		
29.	Daniel Smith	3		
30.	Francis Robinson			
31.	Wm. J. Livingston	7		
	Total Acres —	95.	1.	36

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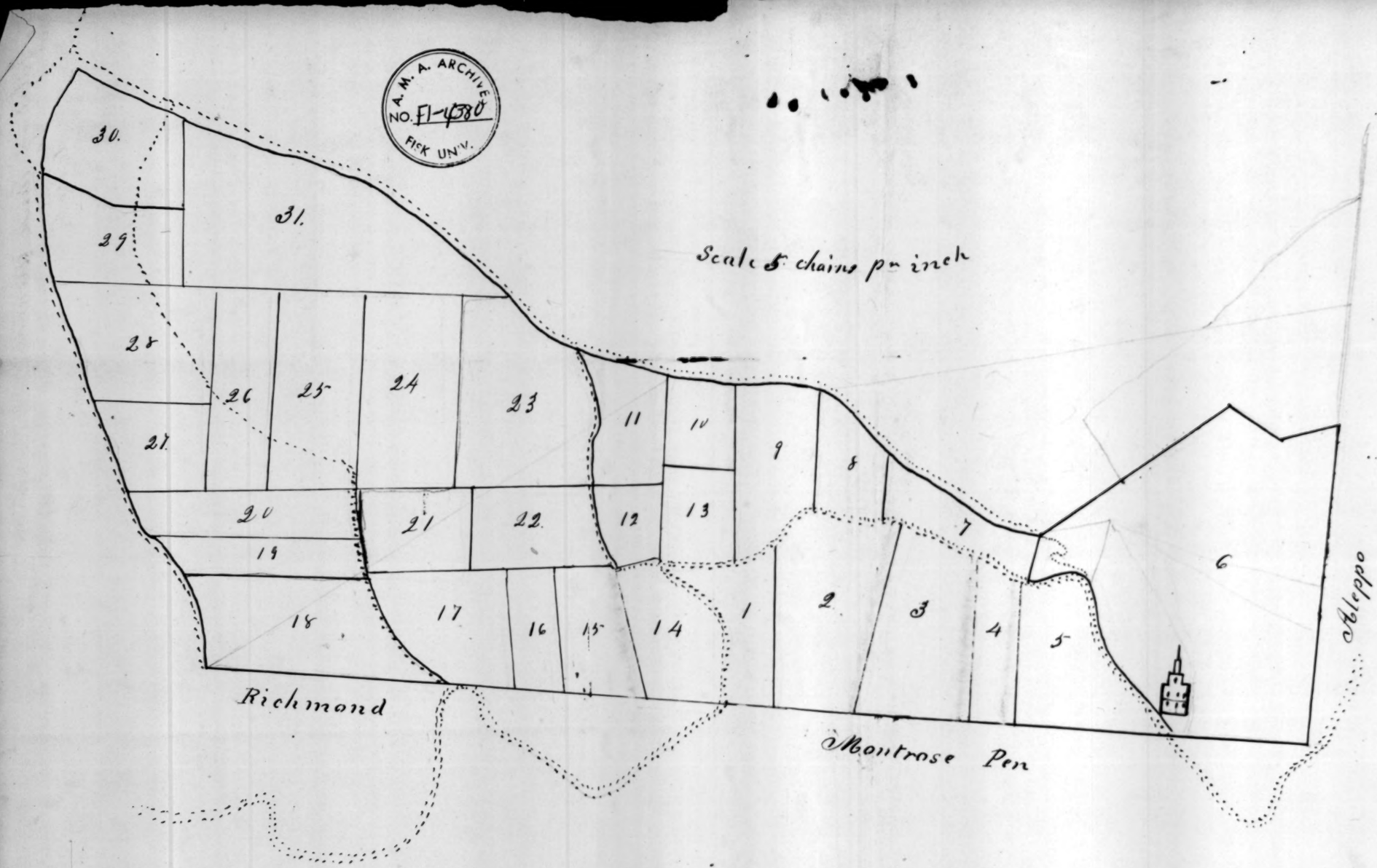

Nos.	Reference			
	Names.			
1	Jackey Smith	2	1	
2	Bailey Francis	4	2	
3	John Meek	3	3	
4	Thomas M. Livingston	1	1	
5	Thomas Smith	3	1	12.
6	Chapel land	14	3	33.
7	Robin Ferguson	1	2	
8	Ned Charlls	1	2	
9	Charles Edwards	2	2	24
10	Cecilia Henry	1	2	
11	Lawrance Smith	1	2	
12	Tilish Francis	1		
13	Beckford Moore	2		
14	Thomas Lee	2	2	
15	John P. Livingston	2		
16	George Volentine	1		
17	Leantha McCleod	3		
18	Angus McKenzie	4		
19	Alec McKy	1	2	
20	David Hall	2		
21	John Thompson	2		
22	Hinton East	2	2	
23	Oxford Hamilton	5		
24	James Sharp (or J. Clark)	4		
25	Jeffry Elvin	3	2	33.
26	Dewinshire Latouch	2	3	6
27	Florance Davis	2		
28	Edward McFarland	3		
29	Daniel Smith	3		
30	Francis Robbinson	3		
31.	Wm J. Livingston	7		
		95.	1	30

Donsmore Cambile
63 barrick st
N.Y.

Plat of land around
Eliot.

List of goods to be purchased for the Jamaica Mission

1 Doz. Sets, or 36 cog wheels for Cane mills

1 Scythe & Sneath, trimd. complete [a good article

1 pr. Trace chains 1 Scythe Stone

1 Dr Halter chains

2 Doz. Simmons' best axes - handled

Those sent Hills are just the sort

1 Doz Ax helves

1 Small coil 1/2 inch rope

1/2 Doz. bedcords -

2 Sides Harness leather suitable for bridles &c. - uncolored

1 Doz. papers No 12 sacks -

1 Set Firmer chisels - if not too dear or too many - none smaller than 1/4 inch nor larger than 2 2/4 inches are particularly demanded - no objections to a few others if economically included in Set -

3 Socket, mortise chisels 1/2 - 3/4 & 4/4 inches

1 Wooden Brace, brass trimd. without bits

A good substantial article

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Brace Augers, or Auger bits
from 1/4 to 1 inch in size - or in set
if most economically purchased thus
2 common Augers 3/4 & 4/4 inch
1 Handsaw - fine -
2 Tenon Saws. Brass back - one coarse, one fine,
1 Set Bench Planes - The Jack or fore plane
Short Jointer & smoothe plane
1 Shoeing hatchet - rather light -
2 Nail Hammers. Cast Steel - one
heavy & one light - firm claws &
well handled for nail-drawing.
6 - 25 lbs. Boxes Stearine Candles
The Candles are supposed to be from
15 to 18 cts per lb - If more than 20 cts
better not send them.
The case of Rubbers sent for by Dr
B. has not appeared - The Capt. of the
Flying of the Forest said Mr Belden had
sent such a case to him to take but
he could not take it - He thot it was
given to the John Clark - How is this?
We shall want them -

Books &c

200 Webster's Elementary Spelling-books
100 McGuffy's First Readers
75 " 2d "
3 Doz. " 3d "
1 Ream South Leaf Foolscap White paper
1 " Commercial Note "
2 " White Letter "

We are in immediate want of the books. Mr Way sent for books some time since - We fear these were put upon the Jn Clark & lost - If not they may be included in the above list. We do not at present need all the above in addition to them.

Seth T. Wolcott

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Brainerd Station, Jamaica

This station was established in 1838 by the Rev. J. O. Beardslee by the purchase, and sale to the emancipated people, in small parcels, of a coffee plantation, reserving the coffee house and a few acres of land for a parsonage

About the same time the agent of the "Mico Charity" purchased an adjoining property and sold it out in a similar manner, reserving the overseer's dwelling for a school which was established and kept in operation by that fund until 1841 or 1842 when the Brainerd congregation and minister purchased it at a cost of six hundred dollars and connected the two sites and buildings into one station containing 30 acres of land which is devoted to the use of the resident minister and teacher.

The site of this station is a very pleasant one and commands a wide and delightful prospect. The sea is in plain view at the North about 15 miles distant and 1500 ft. below. This station is about 25 miles from Kingston, the principal city and seaport of the island.

The station is in the midst of a population of free holders of the emancipated people. Our congregation is composed of more than four hundred of this class together with two or three white families and some browns.

Brainerd Chapel

This place of worship was erected by the minister and people of the station in 1848 and was dedicated at Christmas of the same year. A part of the means were raised, the site prepared, a part of the lumber and timber procured and

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foundations laid during the administration of Mr. Beardslee the former minister. The expense of the building was met by the congregation except about four hundred dollars received from the American Missionary Association. The whole expense of the building in its present condition, temporarily seated and without ceiling, was 3000 dollars. The roof is corrugated, galvanized tinned iron. The building will seat comfortably six hundred without a gallery which may be erected at one end to accomodate the choir.

Minister's Dwelling & High School room.

The upper part of this building was erected and used in time of slavery for a plantation coffee store. It was erected upon stone pillars ten feet high and the under part was occupied by machinery for the manufacture of coffee.

~~The property including the building was purchased from the mission~~. The upper part was repaired for the minister's dwelling and the under part for a place of worship. Since the erection of the new chapel the basement has been in process of through fitting up for the High School. A severe shock of an earthquake which occurred on the 20th of June 1848 nearly shook the house from the pillars and made it for a time untenantable and also made it necessary that a strong stone wall should be put underneath which now makes it a strong substantial building.

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17 Brevoort Place 10th St
18th May
Mrs Oughton

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Revd G Whipple
My dear friend

Yesterday I quite forgot to hand you Miss Treats gold watch, which I now send per Bearer. Miss I wished me to say to you that if a watch maker in whom you had confidence considered the watch worth repairing she would like it put in order. If not you are to retain the watch till you hear further from her on the subject —

The Commissions which Papa would be obliged if you could execute for him are as follows
10 Galleries for large sized globes
4 round globe shades to fit galleries
Kerosene ordered some time ago —
These are to be charged to Papa —
My husband would also be obliged

If you could purchase and forward in your first parcel to Mr Walcott.

Chinese, none

50 letter 3 ct Sent Hymn Books

for H Goodenough

122 Nassau Street.

$ 2-50

1-50

$ 4

I enclose the Money for these that you may not open an extra account.

I also forgot to mention to you that my large box on board the Crusader ought to be corded. The Stewards promised to attend to this. perhaps however they have neglected it. and if the boxes have not already been sent off the Bearer (Mr Wise) will see that mine is corded and that both are forwarded. Mine to Rockford and Marys to Oberlin.

Again thanking you for all your trouble: I remain

Yours Truly

Mr A Oughton per

I was sorry to be out
yesterday when Miss Dodge called
I shall be at home till 4 o'c
today, and very happy to see
her if she could come up
My kind love to her
I also enclose Mary letter home

Lamp shades must give the size
& kind & order enough to make
a package Wm S. T. W

Sent no Kerosine in Nov 63
& find non charged in his a/c
except in Dec 63.

Wm S. T. W.

Bro Way will have the kindness to order from America the following Books and oblige

E. F. Bradley

Children their Diseases & Management — Fowler
Water-Cure for Women in Pregnancy
The Parent's Guide & Child's Nursery
By Mrs Pendleton
Memory and Intellectual Improvement
Thoughts on Domestic Life

This order I overlooked, in making up mine for Books - If this reaches Bro. Harned, ~~it is time~~ to send them with my bill. He will please to do so. - If not forward them the first oportunity - Purchase of Fowler & Wells - They will send them at wholesale price to me

Bro. Harned will please send me - Costil on Poisons & Hoopers Md. Dictionary

Yours truly P. M. Way

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will Dr. Barrett Put this into some letter going to Mr. Harned - first opportunity

A year ago, last Sep. I made request to the Ex-Com. for leave of absence for a twelve month, with my family. I desired also should my request be granted, that my salary be continued, and I would meet all my expenses home and back, and while there. - With respect to this request I have received no reply.

I did not set a time because I could not, as Bro Hall, made a similar request, and I did not know as we could both have at the same time, and his necessities to rest awhile, might be greater than mine

He received a permit to return while my request, so far as I know, was given the "go by" At all events I have had not a single line about it. This I feel, though I have not thought best to make words about it,

In the Spring or Summer I have felt that duty to myself as well as family, would require a change, and I desire to learn the mind of the Ex-Com on the matter.

Last Sep. Bro Hall repeated my request, as yet I am not aware

Rev. L. Thompson. 1856

that any reply has been received, I do not like to complain, yet I do feel that my request has been treated lightly. Perhaps an oversight or something of the kind, or at least no intended neglect, I am disposed to think so.

You must know that I felt myself considerably hurt, when I returned before. While I do not blame myself for going, still I do not wish to place myself under such circumstances again.

I remain
My dear Bro
Yours truly
L Thompson

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Stations	Whole No. Members Aug. 1st 1868	Admitted on Profession	Admitted by Letter	Restored	Total Added	Excommunicated	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased	Total Loss	Whole No. Aug. 1st 1869	Gain	No. in Congregation	No. in Sabbath School	Contributions: Support of Minister	Chapel Purposes	Freedmen	Total	Total in Dollars
Chesterfield	95	3	1	2	6	2	2	0	4	97	2	200	100	£7.14.0	£9.2.6	£1.10	£15.6.6	$91.62
Brandon Hill	74	5	1	0	6	3	1	0	4	76	2	125	100	£4.5.0.	8.14.0		£13.0.0	$66.00
Providence	42	2	0	1	3	1	0	1	2	43	1	60	40	£1.0.0	6.4.0		£7.4.0	$36.00

S.B. Wilson

(Catawba)

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Church	Members at Meeting Aug 1868	Admitted on Profession	Admitted by Letter	Restored	Total Added	Excommunicated	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased	Total Loss	Whole No. Aug 1869	Baptisms	Attendance Congregation	Attendance Sabbath School	Contributions: Support of Ministers	Contributions: Church Purposes	Contributions: Freedmen	Contributions: Total	Salary in Dollars
Chesterfield	95	3	1	2	6	2	2	0	4	97	2	200	100	$7.40	$9.26	$2.10	$18.66	$97.62
Bramlin Hill	74	3	1	0	6	3	1	0	4	76	2	125	100	$4.50	[illegible]		$13.00	$365.00
Providence	42	2	0	1	3	1	0	1	2	43	1	60	40	$1.00	6.40		$7.40	$36.00

minister, Rev. E. Thompson, bro. to George—
Bro Burdwell & myself were at Strongville last Sab.
Bro. B. preached in the new church & I in the old—
and in the eve. & mond. eve. I lectured to both together
full & attentive audiences—left, we think, a good impression,
Sheffield & Elyria people will be heard from soon—
next Sab. I am to be at Amherst & Oberlin
Sab. after near Cleveland & thence at once on
our way east stopping at Rochester & Syracuse
to be in Troy about the 20th inst where you can
direct me—care S. P. Stewart— Direct to care of D. Pelton
Cleveland any thing that will reach me before or by the 12th inst
Thanks to close for the office
Fraternally yours
Seth. S. Wolcott

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Rev. Teth T. Wolcott.
Elyria. O
Sept 1/53.

Report of Mission
Station.

For the True Wesleyan.

Jamaica Mission. No. 3.

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Meeting of the brethren,—Examination of School teachers—State of the schools. Want of teachers &c.—

Since my last communication, which was written at Kingston, I have now been privileged with looking over the ground occupied by the American Missionaries, and taking them by the hand, ~~with the exception of one family, each member.~~ If the warm greeting, and words of kindness and sympathy are indications of heartfelt ~~welcomes~~ feeling, then will our burdens be lightened, ~~our bitter cup sweetened~~, and hours of loneliness and longings for home, cheered and consoled by the occasional visit of these servents of God.—

On Tuesday we left Kingston in company of brethren Thompson of Eliot, and Richardson of Brainard Station, and one of the Deacons of the church at Oberlin, and a boy to drive a mule loaded with goods for the mission; making in all, 4 horses, one mule and a one horse waggon and 6 persons—quite a caravan. Our first station was at Oberlin, 16 miles from Kingston. Here we found most of the church assembled to welcome their new minister and his wife; which was done with a hearty good-will, and many thanks to God for his mercy in bringing us safely to this mountain home.— After our company had done ample justice to a well furnished table, no great We ~~were~~ assembled in the chapel, where we enjoyed a season of spiritual refreshing. Parting with our brethren, we made all possible speed, as appearances of rain were indicated, to Brainard, 10 Miles from Oberlin.—

~~At this station~~ A meeting of the mission families had been called; at Brainerd on Wednesday and Thursday, for the double purpose of becoming acquainted with the new comers, and transacting business relative to the interests of the Mission. On Wednesday morning there were added to our number, Bro. Wolcott and Lady from Hermitage, 20 miles distant, and Bro. Hall from Providence, about 8 miles distant; which includes all the ministers, except Bro. Olds, who resides some 40 miles from Brainard, which made it impracticable to give him due notice of the meeting. I need, scarcely, say we were glad to hear our dear brethren say, "Now brother and sister Way make yourselves perfectly at home; we welcome you to all our joys and sorrows, and will endeavour to share them with you".—

On Thursday, two gentlemen, one White and one colored, presented themselves to be employed as school teachers. On examination, it appeared that the white man, the best qualified of the two, had, some 30 years ago, studied reading, writing, spelling, Arithmetic and Grammar. But he was like some men I have seen in the States, who have forgotten more than their neighbours, or themselves ever knew. He was a good reader and writer, but could not answer the most simple question in the rudiments, not even enumerate one million. His examination reminded me of an anecdote related by Ex Gov. Briggs, of Mass, in an address at the commencement of the N. Y. State Normal school at Albany. A certain lawyer, in Vermont, who was very affable, obliging, and withall quite a lady's man, was appointed to examine school-Teachers in this town, at a time

When the standard of qualification was not very high. An old spinster presented herself for a certificate to teach school, who was so utterly deficient in every necessary qualification, that our obliging lawyer was very much puzzled how to manage his case. He finally gave her a certificate, recomending her as "qualified to teach a very small number of very small children." Ah, said the lady, "That is just what I want." It is, perhaps, needless to say that both gentlemen were unanimously rejected.

The state of schools, so far as my observation extends, is lamentable. Nothing grieves me more than to see so many children neglected. Several schools connected with our mission are now, and have been a long time, suspended for lack of teachers. And several might be opened, in places utterly neglected, had we teachers at our command. At least 10 or 12 teachers could be employed under our supervision. The education of the children is admitted by all, to be of paramount importance. Moral and religious instruction, without intellectual culture, however assiduously imparted, will fail of permanently benefiting the people. That this people are capable of as high aims as any other people on earth, I firmly believe. And were it not for oppressive, licentious, rum-selling white men, the second generation, under such an influence as Christians are bound to exert, would equal any other nation, in real greatness and goodness. I consider the importance so great, that, though contrary to the advice of the Missionaries

I have resolved to commence a school, at this mission, immediately; hoping a supply of teachers will soon be here. Arrangements have been made, here, to support the schools, almost exclusively, without taxing the society at home. Where are the pious young men and women, who are ardently praying that some door of usefulness may be open to them? Where are the churches to which these pious, devout Christians belong? Will not those churches raise $100 for each teacher and send them to Jamaica? The amount of good which might be accomplished, by their devoting only a few years to teaching, Eternity alone can disclose. Come brethren, rouse up! Here is a great work to be done. Do it with a willing and glad heart; and what you give to the poor will be repaid by our heavenly father. When I preached at Fulton, Oswego Co. N.Y. we sent out, and sustained a young man as teacher in Canada. That church has more wealth now than it had then and might send out several teachers without exhausting their surplus profits and interest on money. I presume there are many equally able churches, if not individuals. May God stir them up to duty! Those who come, must calculate on a sacrifice of society, relatives and indolence, and on devoting themselves to labour, and, perhaps, reproach. They will also find a desire generally to learn, and readiness to obey, and unbounded respect from children and parents. Should God stir up the churches, or individuals, to send out teachers, let them correspond with Rev. George Whipple, 48 Beekman Street, N.Y.

I would only add, every member of the mission coincides with the above view of the wants of teachers and condition of the schools.

Jamaica May 10. 1852 Yours truly P. M. Way

P. M. Way

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stances. Brainerd church had at last settled down upon the old Congregational plan & were to all appearances more quiet & harmonious than at any previous time during my sojourn among them.

I saw nearly all the Mission during that evening & the next day, secured their approval, had a farewell with the people & set off Mon. eve.

I am still of the opinion that the Mission should be transferred to the care of the English by all means. Bro. Starbuck spoke to me as if the Ex. Com. were in favor of the scheme & if they are I see no insuperable obstacle in the way.

Bro. Allen's view of the case seems just & in it I concur except that it seems to me that all the stations except Richmond should be put on the same footing. I am sure that the English would be more

ready to take charge if all were offered than if a part were.

Were Brainerd & Eliot excepted I do not think any English Soc. would take the rest.

But I must close, & write you farther some other time.

For the first time since my return my wife yesterday rode out in the carriage & seemed benefitted by the exercise though for the time somewhat fatigued.

I hope to hear from you soon.

My wife unites with me in love to yourself & family

Yours truly

F. B. Penfield.

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-cipation have been little cared for & badly attended of course.

At our gathering last week however not only were there more present than usual but the good Spirit of God was evidently with us. there was a sober earnestness & intelligence in those who spoke very far removed from anything like wild excitement & each all seemed to be possessed with new thoughts & feelings & purposes to separate themselves more decidedly from evil & to follow after righteousness. I was especially gratified to hear from some of those who at the beginning of the Gospel had caused us so much grief & trouble, refer again to their folly in words expressive of deep regret. for I could not help hoping that our act of discipline had been accompanied & was followed with a blessed unction from on High. for well

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do I know that such acts a-
-part from God's sanction & are
any thing but promotive of true
righteousness. My earnest prayer
to God is that Christ may be
revealed in the hearts of His peo-
-ple, that He may be more & more
precious in their eyes & to the
world & its allurements grow
less & less in their esteem.

These frequent excommunica
tions & restorations of members of
our Chs must seem strange to
you who are acquainted only with
Chs that are vastly more intelle-
-gent & stable. But as you go on far-
-ther in your work among the Freedmen
of the South you may possibly
come to understand better the
unavoidableness of such an ab-
-normal state of things. The
history of Churches formed of
the material brought by slave
-ships from Guinea & their descen
-dants kept for many generations

Rev. C. B. Keeling.
Jamaica.
W. I. 2/71

in a most degrading bondage must necessarily be very different from that of Churches composed of ~~the~~ such as the May Flower landed on Plymouth Rock. I have been struck in reading some of your communications from the South to see the great similarity in the state of things there, in some ~~in some re~~ -spects, to the condition of our peo-ple here. The same forms of super-stition & fanaticism. the same ignor-ance & false views of worship. the same laxness of discipline & all fostered by ignorant, & in some cases worse than ignorant, Native preachers obtain in your Country & ours. This is peculiarly the case with this ~~[illegible]~~ & Brandon Hill Dis-tricts. Bro. Wilson & myself live in communities where great numbers of the people are attached to Societies under ~~[illegible]~~ Leaders, resembling very much those described in the letters of your Missionaries in the South. God grant that

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those laboring there may be successful in drawing the people from under these degrading influences. We have to lament however that after so long time so many still stubbornly adhere to these old connexions. Not that there is nothing good among them. Some among their teachers seem to be sincere & to desire to do good & one here & there in their Chs bears a fair character but on the whole these Societies are not at all fitted to the necessities of the people to enlighten & elevate them & on the Sonny especially they have any thing but a good influence. So much is this felt by some of the best of their members that they encourage their children to come to our Sab School &c. Just at this time some five or six young people from their families who have been thus instructed by us, have presented themselves to the Church for admission to fellowship. This

that the contributions of our Chs to the support of the Gospel &c are very small. Now while I do not wish to make excuse for their delinquency as I fear in many cases it is culpable yet I think it is due to you & just to the people here to state some facts concerning their circumstances &c.

It is true their contributions are small but it is true also that their means are small their cash incomes very small. I have to witness continually cases of hearty young people married & unmarried of struggling yet ineffectual attempts to improve their condition. The general complaint is that they can get no market for their produce or as they express it "there is no selling". Add to this they are at the disadvantage of being far from the market town having to carry all their yams coffee &c over twenty miles to Kingston either on their heads or on beasts with hampers. To purchase a mule say from £10 to £14 is the first great struggle of a young c[illegible] settling themselves after having got a place [illegible]

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fact with others (5) I could mention will show you that this church is not powerless as regards its influence on the people among whom we live.

In other respects it would seem there is not much in common in the religious condition of our people & yours. The ~~lately~~ freedmen of the South are far in advance of the Jamaicans in their zeal for knowledge in their consequent rapid improvement & in their liberality in supporting the institutions of the gospel &c.

~~It is true~~ there has been a great falling off in these things in this Island. For ~~I suppose you are aware that~~ the people of these W. Indies were ~~once~~ - for a few years immediately after Emancipation - distinguished for zeal in Religion & Education, & for giving liberally also to maintain these good things. But it is not so now. it is a painful fact

John Thompson
Jamaica
West Indies

built a cottage on it - & what a struggle! & how long it takes! every hard earned penny that can be spared over & above finding food & raiment is laid by for this purpose. This was the complaint of several of the delinquents - whom myself & the Deacons met the other day to hear from them about their neglect - while at the same time they acknowledged their duty & expressed strongly their desire & intention to fulfil it.

Another fact ~~I would have you know is that~~ while the members of the Ch. thus complain of their low circumstances, I do not see much of extravagant expenditure of money on useless & hurtful things - little for instance is spent on tobacco, the only habitual smokers being among the older people - & not much on intoxicating liquors. these may be used on occasions but rarely I think are in daily common use ~~&~~.

Their wardrobe - & here if in any thing they would be extravagant if they could - is scanty. & their dress - as they appear for instance in public on sabbaths is as a general thing - just decent & becoming their circumstances. Some however can scarcely attain to provi[illegible] decent clothing

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for themselves & families, have kept from the house of God in consequence.

Their houses too indicate any thing but wealth. They are in most cases thatched cottages tolerably comfortable according to their ideas. & the furniture consisting of a table & two three or four chairs. bed-stead &c. is rude & simple in the extreme.

In speaking thus of the straitened circumstances of our people I cannot in truthfulness attribute it to causes altogether independent of themselves. For while they are not given to vicious habits which tend to impoverish those who indulge in them, yet they lack qualities of heart & mind which are essential to success in undertakings of any kind.

They are not indolent yet they are not industrious after the manner of our countrymen making the most of precious time. They are not extravagant, but neither are they wisely economical. They lack forethought reflection & practical wisdom in the management of their affairs. They

possess little or nothing of the spirit of enterprise, & are especially lacking in that indomitable pluck which grapples with difficulties & scorns to succumb to adverse circumstances.

I am not disposed to write hard things against them for their not having these excellent qualities for well do I know that not they alone are to be blamed in the matter. As to their want of liberality while I use all the means which the law & gospel allow me to stimulate them to giving & doing good I feel constrained more than ever to wait on the Lord that he may shed abroad His love in the hearts of His people that we all both Pastors & people may bring forth more abundantly the fruits of love & large hearted beneficence to the praise & glory of His name.

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You see dear Brother how large a letter I have written with my own hand which if not a proof of my love to those concerned in my writing I give as a proof of my great desire to make you acquainted with the state of the Church & people under my care. For I have written in much weakness doing little now & again during several days. It is a long time - more than three years - since I have had the pleasure of hearing from you. But I suppose you are over-much engaged with the cares & duties connected with your vast field of labor in the South. And then during that long time I have been for the most parts in such a low condition that I was unable to remind you that although laid aside I was yet alive.

From July 1867 to the fall of 1868 I was ill indeed. a good part of the time confined to bed with scarcely a hope that I could again recover. By the good hand of God upon me however I began to rally in the middle of the Year 68 & to improve gradually till during the fall & on till April 69. I was able to go about a little on horseback & to preach occasionally &c. Then I was again taken ill & brought down nearly as low & weak as before. I remained so for some months until by inning to rally a little I was conveyed to the plains near Kingston & stayed there three months. I returned here in March of this Year benefited by the change since which I have been gaining strength very gradually until ~~[illegible]~~ now I am able to go in & out among the people at their meetings & preach occasionally. In the latter duty however the brethren ~~[illegible]~~ help me. Although

I have had painfully humiliating views of myself during my afflictions & much despondency yet my heart is fixed still to trust in my God looking unto Jesus giving myself to serve Him faithfully the few remaining days of my sojourn here in this world.

I shall be glad if you are able to write me soon.

Affec^ly Your Brother

J. B. Venning

Mrs Thompson says she thanks you for your words of consolation and encouragement. She does not feel particularly anxious about the future. The Lord will order all things for the best. She has suffered so much with those terrible paroxysms of pain, that death, in itself, would have nothing to dread. She has all along had a disinclination to leave Jamaica for any medical treatment. She has more than once expressed herself, just as willing to die here, as any where else; and her only wish to live is, that she may do something more effectively in the Mission work.

A. ARCHIVES
NO. FI-4395
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The medicine Dr Lockhart prescribed for her has certainly done her good.— Since taking it, it has relieved her of those terrible pains — We sincerely hope she may yet be strong & healthy again —

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
NO. EL-11396
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No bill turns up of the sash, glass & nails sent. We know not the cost of them. Bills of purchase for Books & Saddle are received. I have this day drawn on you to the order of B. T. Sling for $70. on a/c of Richmond buildings & notified you of the same elsewhere —

Do let me hear from you at the earliest possible date — In mean time I shall be writing you farther Yours &c

S. F. Wolcott

Did not Dr Whipple send bill? No copy till after wards

over

April 15 – evening

Recd per Brig Lark this day
6 Kegs nails 1 Box glass 1 Bale Batts –
1 Box Books – 1 Do. Saddle & books
1 " Windows, 1 doz. 12 lights 11 X 14 glass
The windows for Still house do not appear to have been sent – What shall we do? Can they be had? there were ordered 16 or 18 windows of 24 lights each – 11 X 14 glass
To make them here is out of the question in any reasonable time, We must wait till we hear again while our School fixtures stand still much to our regret.
I want, & must have 18 windows of 24 lights each, 11 X 12 glass or 36 pieces 12 lights each 4 lights width wise & 3 lengthwise making the window 6 lights long & 4 wide

Sent April 10. – 12

A. M. A. ARCHIVES
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Mr & Mrs Wilcott are to take the child and look after its education according to will They were several other little sumes of £5 here and there I would not said any thing to you about this if the thing had not cast such a reproach upon us as Missionaries for the people look upon us as one - The people are losing confidence in us as Americans I say the out side people and many of the church members are greatly stumbled at it and when the out side people bring it up to them they say they cannot open their Months

for self defence. so they say we must carry the burden and reproach.
Mr Thompson work is done here at Eliot as things are now. If the church were called upon to day for him to come back there would be a division in the church. and the chief members would not vote for him to come back. I am sorry to say such things but they are and I do not feel like covering them up. If you want to know the mind of the brethren you can write to them about his return
I heard the two Deacons say soon after Mr T- left

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that there had been a good
deal of talk from the pulpit
but little gospel
I wish that this people could
have a good faithful Minister
that would go out and in be-
fore this people.
This people is deserving people,
and they know what is good
and right: as well evil ~~and~~
I simply have stated these
things not to cast a reproach upon
or that to injure any one.
I thought you at home ought
to know something about these
things. and if you want to know
more about it you can write
to any member of the Mission
I have heard several say

that they wished you knew how matters stood here ~~in this matter~~ - So I have made myself a scape Goat of the Mission to bear the blunt and reproach of some. I feel I have done only my duty I have only given the facts I do not wish to judge any one You are at liberty to cast it aside or do what you please with it.

I will add one word more Mr Scott was heard to say to several individuals that he did not like the way that Minister made his will and between that time and long he would have it made different. He was speachless most of the time during his illness

I remain
Yours

L. A. Woodcock

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Miss Woodcock.
Private
Rec. Sept 15/63.

I have some things that I should like to write to you and as for one I think you ought to know it and I am not alone in this matter. I have pondered the matter over and prayed over it that I might be guided aright in the matter for I wish all well. It is a matter that concerns the Mission and it affects this church much. It is painful to think that such things exist but as they do we must as a church and Mission bare the reproach. It is a matter that Mr Thompson is deeply concerned in. Just before he left with

a week or two he made a
Will, for Mr Peter Scott. one of the
Members of this church who was
formaly a deacon but was
cut off. while Mr Thompson was
at home befor for the of fornication
and becoming a father of an
unlawful child. But was
was restored back to the church
soon after Mr Thompson returned
but was never restored to his former
deacon ship Mr Scott professed
sorrow for his former sins and
promised to do better. But as far
it can be found out he never put
away the woman. Soon after Mr
Thompson left. Mr Scott. was taken
sick and died suddenly within
three weeks after Mr Thompson left

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grave the will was produced
read by Mr Wolcott. it caused
great confusion. He will gives
most of the property to their unlaw-
child. He will reads thus. $200
to educate this child $40
to Richmond to build a
Students Hall called Scott Hall
The home stead when the wife
is dead is to have it. and
also part of the furniture when
she becomes of age - The child
is about 4 years old and the
worst kind of a bastard child
as the people say. There were two
other grown up children a son
and daughter. that were born
in slavery time and the son
has served his father faithful

and he does not get a penny
of his fathers property - and he is
a poor man and had looked
to his father for aid.
That makes the people say so much
about it. it is because Mr Thompson
had preached so much about the
bastard children. and that he
was going to make a separation
in the congregation. sabbath
and day school and put the
unlawful children and people
on one side of the house and
the lawful by themselves
Now to do such things among
this people it is an impossible
among this people just emerged
from slavery as it were
The deacons say Ministers to do
such a thing. they cannot. I never
knew such excitement since
I have been at Eliot -
Mr Walcott is one of the Executors
and the a man from among the
people - this man will not have
any thing to do with it

3. One copy of what five years ago, was called "The Singing School" by I. B. Woodbury, published at that time by F. J. Huntington 356 Broadway, & by Mason Brothers 108 & 110 Duane street.

4. Barnes Notes on the Gospels & the Acts ~~three~~ ~~as~~ two copies of each; & on Romans, 1st & 2nd Corinthians & Gal. four copies of each.

Please be sure & have a ~~copy~~ bill of all the books come with them, as they have been called for by the people & I shall want to know at once what price to put upon them.

It is a good indication of our Chesterfield young men that they have become interested in Barnes Notes, use them, & are calling for more.

Yours Sincerely

F. J. Douglass

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Also: for same

One copy of what five years ago was called the New Carmina Sacra. by Mason, it is thought

Bt. G. B.

G. W.

(order for Lomb stone sent to Ritter N. Haven)

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Name of Church & Pastor	No. members	Rec'd by Letter on Profession	Restored	Dismissed	Excom.	Died	Total Increase Church	Number in S.S.	Increase in S.S.	Cash for Salary	Other Purposes	Total Contributions	Raised in S.S.	No. in Congregation
Eliot														
Charles C. Starbuck	57	0	5	2	0	0	4	3	92	20	$29.58	$42.51	$72.09	$9.60	120

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[illegible] always speak of you in a most affectionate mac[illegible]
[illegible] little morsel of Mission news must satisfy your hungry
[illegible] for I want to play the egotist & speak of "me & mine"
You inquire after my health - When I returned from the
mountains it was with fever upon me - I went to bed directly
and was really very ill - The fever troubled my head much
but by active and energetic measures - the skill of good
Phillippo and the blessing of God. I had a short th[illegible]
severe attack - I am now quite recovered - For six days my
Baby was kept from me - and consequently was weaned at the
early age of eight months - She is quite well - creeping all
over the dining hall - & rejoicing in the possession of
six little teeth - She is very good natured - even Miss Upson
declared it was the best baby she ever saw - and when the
Hall's folks pressed to know her opinion as to whether their baby
was as pretty as mine - she only said - "it not as good as [illegible]
Ought" - What more conclusive evidence could you
wish - Fanny is nurse - Mrs Williams the same good
creature as ever still keeps her place as house cleaner and
washer woman - She sends "heaps of howdy" - I was obliged
to discharge Caroline for living in an improper manner
but have a good cook to fill her place -
I have not made the acquaintance of the new Governor
yet but intend to call upon Mrs Darling next Tuesday if
can get Thomas to go with me - We are quite intimate
with the Hon Richard Hill and his sister Mrs Harrison -
Mr Hill pronounces a host of benedictions upon you when
I speak of Miss Dean - He appreciates your character. I love
hear him talk about you - it pleases me well - Yo[illegible]

will be sorry to hear that he has been il[illegible]
only "so so" at present—

Our dear Sister Lavinia was marri[illegible] Ve[illegible]
to the Rev'd Edwin Paxton Hood— an independent mi[illegible]
in London of considerable celebrity and an Author of no ordinary
[illegible]mp— She is very happy and almost worships her husband
[illegible] was a widower and has one little boy— Lavinia is very
[illegible]d of little Edwin— We are still in a disagreeable
state of uncertainty respecting the return of our beloved
Parents— My heart is sick with the "hope long deferred"
Dr Phillippo is married and last Wednesday returned with his
Bride to Spanish Town— we were invited to the welcome
home— our friend George was up for a day or two—
Mamma kindly sent us a real English plum Pudding
for Christmas— and we had a quiet little party to eat it—
I am delighted to hear such good accounts of your health
I hope dear you will see the hand of Providence directing
your return— I feel sure that God will always [illegible]
all your wants— and direct your footsteps—
Your visit to Alton must have been very pleas[illegible]
I always did you good to see old friends—
I hope you will write at once upon receiving this letter
It is written in great haste— but I must write when
I can and I dare not— spend too much time thinking
up fine sentences lest I should become disgusted with
letter writing— You wanted a homely letter and such I
send you— I send my own accord love to you—
Pos. sends love to you also my kind love to your dear
Mother & Sister— and believe me ever dearest Mary—
Your loving child Maria.

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I have drawn on your Treas. for $100. to order of George Holt Fifteen days after sight — Also " $100 to order of Dr Wm Beckett Ten days after sight. — this Jan 5th — As the mails close at 3 this P.M. and I am writing you. Want of time must excuse me from writing formally to Asst Treas Whiting. Anything in this you can pass over to him to suit your convenience. Rev. Mr Troy [illegible] to return to the States by next Steamer when I hope to enlarge my correspondence and transmit without the infliction of a double Postage. — I enclose a bill which Miss Treat wishes you to on a/c of N.Y. Evangelist — amt for 2 years if it will be accepted after the delay — Also Rev. S. Coughton " order for Lamps &c — The prices named by Mr. C is simply to indicate the kind of lamp wanted, as sent in former order, and he will not be surprised if in the increase of size there is an increase in price — Mrs. T. Coughton wished me to say that her papers all came right with the exception of Harpers. Weekly (I believe) a paper commencing its year with Dec. — She desires it sent from Dec. — In the paper list sent you was the [illegible] School Mate put down for me for this year? I want it continued Miss Treat desires added to her list — The Little American $1.50 year — Orders addressed to Geo. W. Tracy. Hudson. New York —

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I have read your letters — Thank you — Shall give them more attention when I have time — Shall bear in mind the suggestion of Mr. Whiting and of Mr. L. T. —

I am especially pleased with the specimen of roofing and shall have some inquiries to make at another time such as what quality of paper is used? Does it come in rolls or in sheets? — No coal tar produced in these islands — all imported — Applications for roofing require me to order immediately another bill of same quantity as just rec'd — 5 Barrels Cement & 20 rolls Felt — Can the House send me a few yards of wire webb for screens or Seives suitable for separating the proper size gravel from both the coarser stones & from sand — There is nothing of the kind in this market and we have no means of manufacturing it conveniently

Did I say in a former letter that in my last invoice of axes - 2 Boxes - 1 Doz. each - one box contained only 10 axes? I think I did - Is it too late to have the deficit supplied either in axes or on a/c of other goods? —

I have paid Mr. Webb and embodied receipt thus far, on cash bills. I have not been compelled to discount below 96 cts to the dollar. I get 4/- here for 4/2 in New York. Such is the rate with me today - but not with the trade generally - Exchange 30 per cent -

I must close at once for the mail

Love to all

Yours faithfully

Seth T. Wolcott

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instalments to promote the general objects of the Institution I sincerely regard their personal & private comfort But the immediate & thorough prosperity of Richmond School is first & nearest my heart — money to expended, and all other matters pertaining to the working of the Institution are under the direction of a prudential committee composed of all the male members of the Mission —

Any contributions cheerfully made to this object will be thankfully received & faithfully appropriated

We would here assure our friends of our sincere & fervent gratitude to God & them for past favors, and we would devoutly pray that the riches of His grace may abound toward all till our work is done and we stand complete in His presence in glory

I remain Your Missionary

Seth T. Wolcott

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Business presses — I close hastily — no time for review — W —

legally as soon as the balance due for the same can be raised, and thus allow the Deed to be entered upon the public records. — The great object of our enterprise, therefore, may be regarded as settled. The Institution is a living, and we hope a permanent fact. May it prove a rising & lasting benefit, at least, to the Parish of Metcalfe & to the island of Jamaica. To this our friends will heartily respond.

One proposition made in my last year's report which never reached you I wish here to repeat — viz. that our friends holding certificates of Stock in Richmond, anticipate so far as they are able, making a direct & full contribution of the same to "Richmond Industrial Institution" What say our friends? I am now their debtor for the redemption of their Stock — I shall be most happy to become debtor to Lewis Tappan Esquire as their agent or treasurer for any sum to be paid by me in annual

~~Dec 24~~ Bourgeois Hall

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I have time to add only a few words respecting our labors, and prospects of doing good. My duties have multiplied until I find my hands full. On the Sabbath I teach a bible class of young men, and preach twice. On Monday morning, at sun rise I attend an enquiery meeting. On Tuesday morning at sun rise I attend a meeting one & a half miles from here. On Tuesday evening there are ~~prayer~~ meetings in six different neighborhoods some one of which I usually attend. On Wednesday evening I attend a meeting two miles from here. And on Saturday evening is the usual church meeting. The mental capacity of the people is such that I often feel that they are benefitted more by these little meetings at which we find from six to thirty persons present, than by the regular ministrations of the Sabbath. A few weeks ago I commenced having enquiery meetings, and the number that attend has gradually

increased, until this week twenty five were present. Most that attend I fear do so as ~~a~~ a matter of form, or are aiming to get into the church. But some that have attended have seemed to have a deep concern for themselves. So in the little meetings which we attend among the people the truth seems to take effect, and a good degree of interest is manifested. We see some indications of the Holy Spirit among the people. And it does seem as though it were hovering over us just ready to descend. But I fear the church are not prepared to receive it, & that it will be grieved away. Only a very few of the members ~~of the church~~ appear to understand the part Christians have to do in gathering souls into the kingdom of God. We certainly cannot expect from the church what we might in a more intelligent community. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few." and I am often made to feel that the masses will go down to death. We are stimulated to labor & to do what we can. And we find promises in the word of God that cause us to hope that our labors will be blessed in saving some souls. Yours &c

H. B. Hewell